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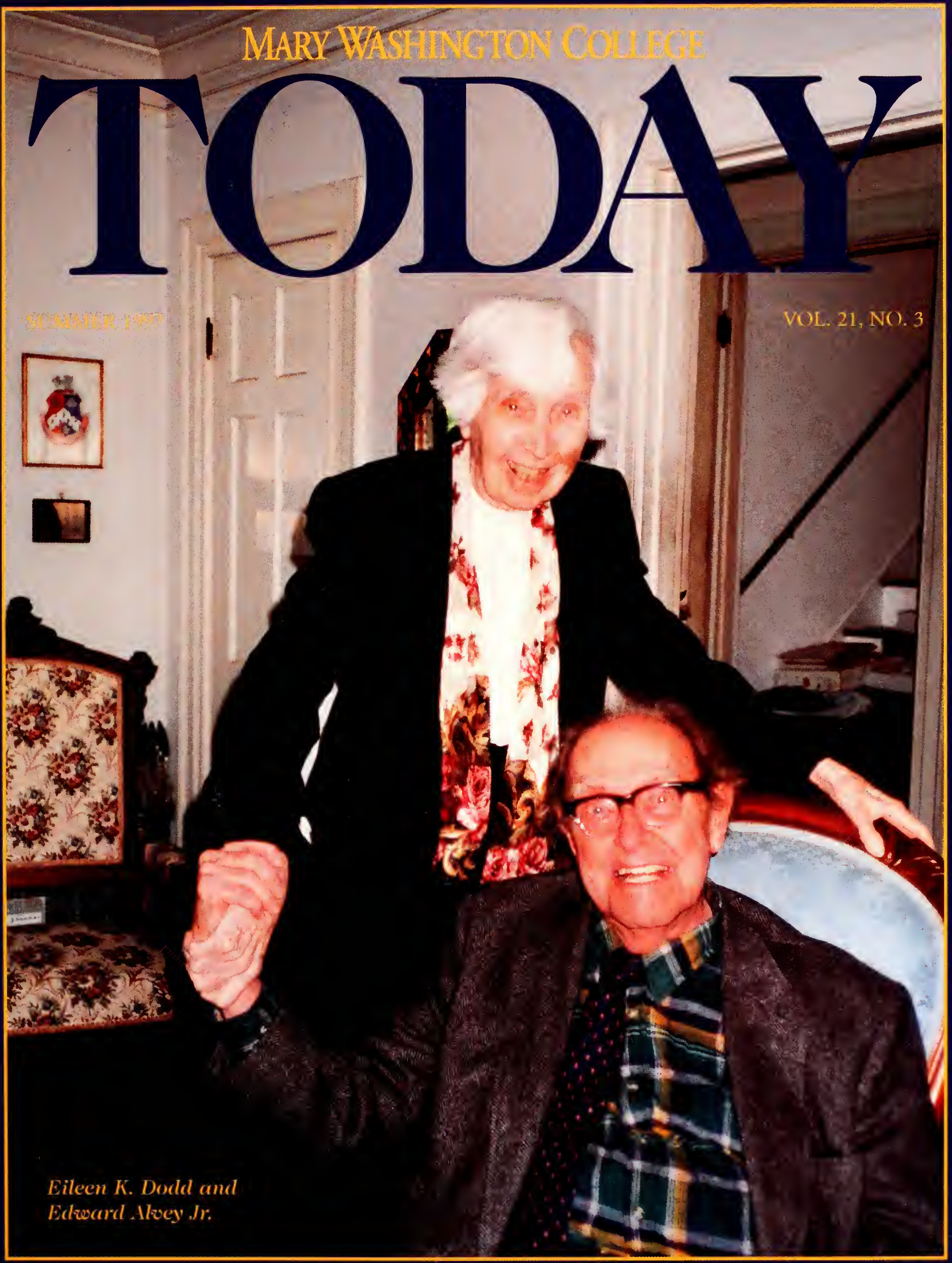
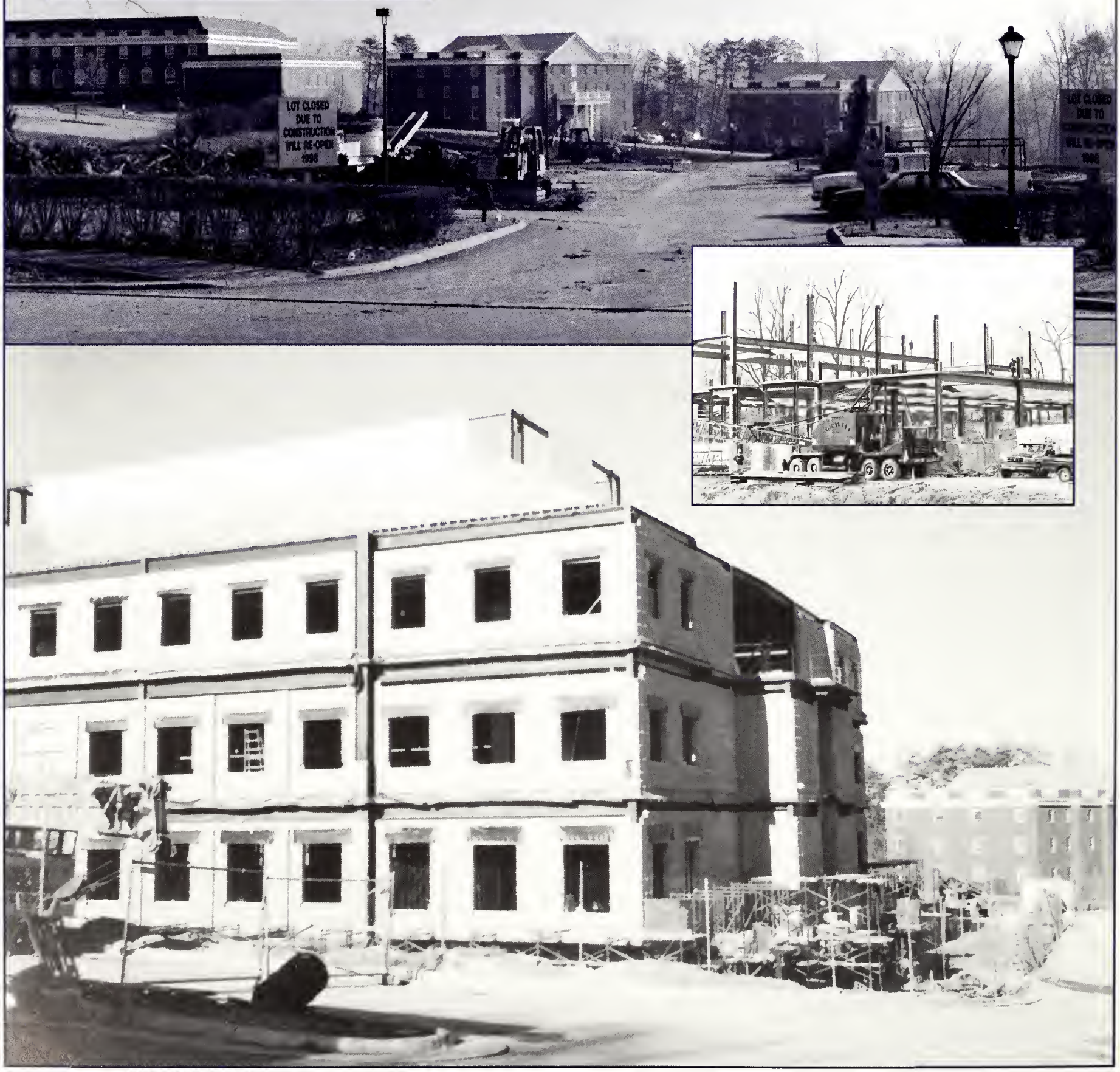


Eileen K. Dodd and Edward Alvey Jr.

The Jepson Science Center

Under construction since spring 1996, The Jepson Science Center is already a prominent structure on College Ave. Located at the north end of campus between duPont and Goolrick Halls, the four-story, 75,000 square-foot facility is named for Alice Andrews Jepson '64 and her husband, Robert S. Jepson Jr., of Savannah, Ga., who donated a substantial part of the funding. Classes are scheduled to start in the Center in fall 1998.



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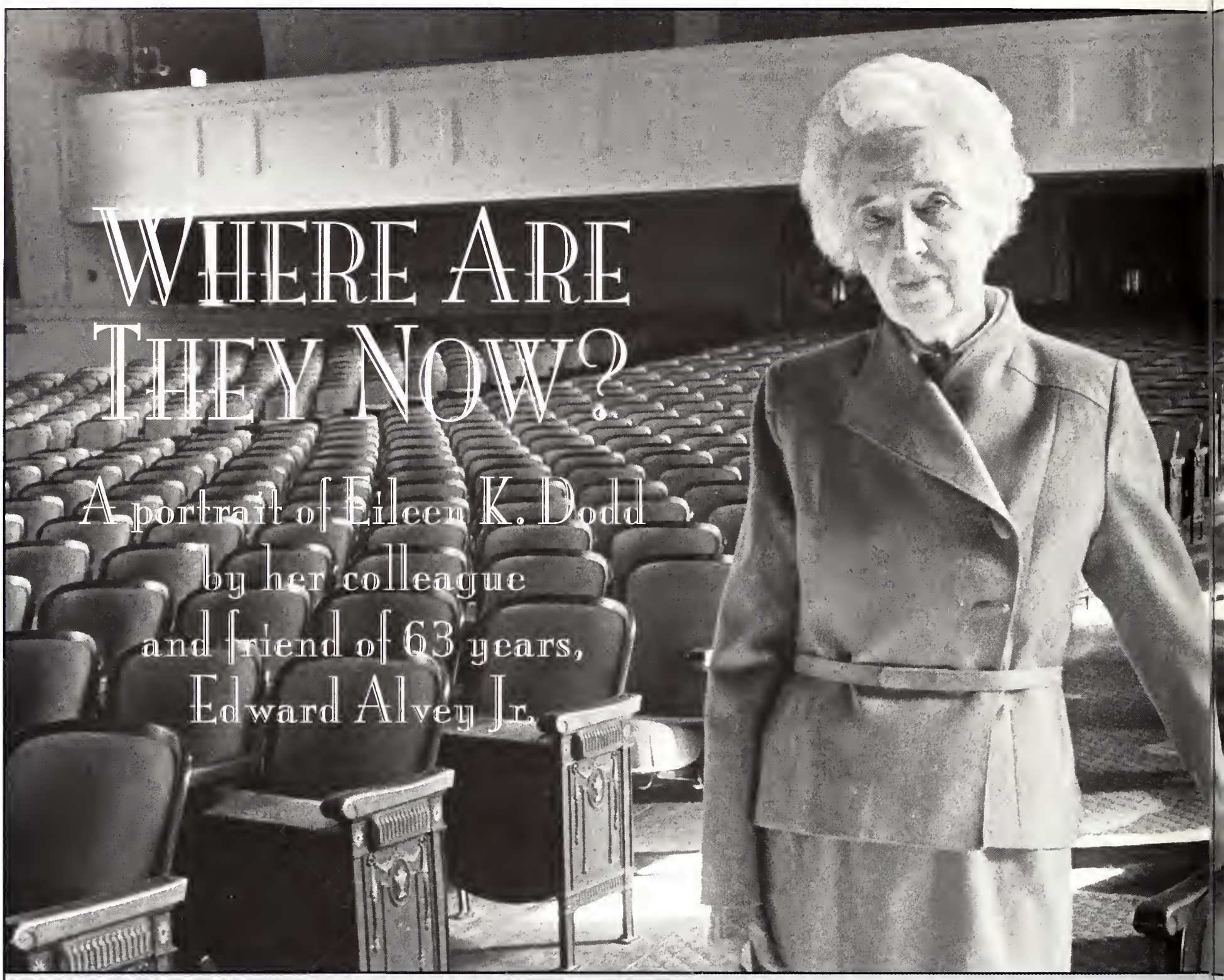
WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

A portrait of Eileen K. Dodd by her colleague and friend of 63 years, Edward Alvey Jr.



It was some 70 years ago, in September 1926, that Eileen Kramer left her native Pennsylvania to come to teach at Mary Washington, which was then the State Teachers College. She was one of the few Ph.D.s — and a woman at that — on the faculty at STC.

Dr. Kramer graduated from Muhlenburg College at Allentown in 1922. Her M.A. degree was conferred by New York University in 1924. She continued her graduate study there, and in 1927 she received a Ph.D. degree with specialization in psychology. She then taught in the public schools of Northampton, and later served as dean of the Onewalt School at Cedar College in Pennsylvania, where she also headed the Department of Education. In her own inimitable, effervescent way, she told me about her first days in Fredericksburg — fall 1926.

"I arrived in the late afternoon Sunday after a long, tiresome train trip that had begun at eight that morning. It was one of those unseasonably hot days in early September, and I was thoroughly wilted as I stepped from the train into the summery heat of what was, to me, a Southern town.

"I can imagine the appearance I made after that long day on the train. Mrs. Bushnell greeted me pleasantly and decided to call the Chandler residence to see where I was to stay. From hearing one end of the conversation, I gathered that Mrs. Chandler had asked if she should come in her car and take me to my quarters in the faculty annex. Mrs. Bushnell glanced at me for a moment and then replied, 'I think she can manage.'

"And so I arrived at the faculty annex lugging my two suitcases. My first impressions were depressing. My room was on the first floor, next to the bath. There was a tired carpet on the floor, with a hole in it. The furniture consisted of an iron bed, a golden oak bureau — much the worse for wear — a desk, and a single straight-back chair. There were no curtains or draperies at the window. The entire room looked so bare and shabby. However, when I looked out the window I saw a mimosa tree in full bloom. It was a glorious sight — and I decided to stay."

Dr. Kramer entered fully into the life of the College, becoming sponsor of the Junior Class her first year. Deciding to have a goat as their symbol, the Juniors appeared in the dining hall one morning wearing white skirts and white sweatshirts decorated with a felt green goat on each one. The Senior Class, deciding to have a distinctive symbol as well, adopted a red devil as their emblem. So began the Devil-Goat rivalry that was to last for so many years.

In 1930, Dr. Kramer married Dr. James Harvey Dodd, who was head of the Commerce Department at the College. He was the "Dr. Dodd" of the couple, for Eileen always said she exchanged her doctor-

ate for the "Mrs." when they married.

She tells in her delightful way of her first meeting with the man who was to be her husband. She had already been teaching at the College for two years when the young professor from Mississippi arrived in the fall of 1928. At that time the faculty ate in a dining room on the first floor of Willard Hall. Nearly all were seated for dinner that first evening when Eileen arrived.

"I had spent the summer in France," she says, "and I was wearing a striking dress I had bought in Paris. I paused in the doorway for just a few moments before entering the room. It was time enough for all eyes to focus upon me. I noticed in particular a tall young man who seemed transfixed, as if he were seeing a vision. We were formally introduced, and the young Dr. Dodd was entranced. It was the beginning of an affection that never wavered throughout the years that followed."

Mrs. Dodd and her husband with their 2-year-old godson, Kevin Kelly, and one of their beloved Kerry blue terriers, 1956.

Left to right: Mrs. Dodd at the Kennedy Center fountain in 1979 with her goddaughter, Lisa Dodd Kelly, and close friend and past colleague from MWC, Mary Annette Kelly. The threesome enjoyed frequent outings to Washington, D.C.

They were married in the summer of 1930 in President William Curtis' house at Cedar Crest College. Dr. Curtis, a minister in the Reformed Church, officiated at the wedding. After honeymooning in Canada, the Dodds returned to Fredericksburg for the opening of classes.

For the next seven years, they resided in an apartment at 404 Hanover Street in the home of Agnes Chewning. In 1937, the Dodds moved to their new home, located on a hill above William Street about a mile west of the College. They called it Doddswood.

When my wife, Frances, and I came to Fredericksburg in 1934, the Dodds were the first to entertain us — a lovely dinner in their apartment on Hanover Street — to which they had invited the other chairmen of departments at the College. Our friendship has been a warm, enduring and delightful one over the many years that have passed since then.

The Dodds enjoyed going to Washington for plays, concerts, and dinners as well as for shopping expeditions. Frances and I accompanied them on many happy occasions. I remember especially the Christmas holiday trips when we would attend a matinee, or shop, and then have a leisurely dinner at a recommended eating place. Mrs. Dodd liked to shop at Garfinkle's, then an outstanding department store on F Street. She purchased many of her stunning and becoming outfits in the women's department there. She has always been well-dressed, in a stylish and well-tailored manner — not ostentatious, just good taste and excellent quality.

Our first trips together were to Charlottesville for the formal banquets given by Phi Delta Kappa, a national honorary education fraternity. Harvey was a member of the Peabody Chapter and I of the University of Virginia Chapter. Incidentally, I always called James Harvey Dodd by his middle name — now I don't know why. To the Rotarians, he was Jim, a past president of the local club. Eileen called him "Dodd," going back to their first days at the College together. He called her "Eileen," always in a warm Southern accent.

The Dodds often entertained at inti-

Mrs. Dodd and friends posed by her portrait when the auditorium in George Washington Hall was named in her honor.

Bea Smith has been a close companion of Mrs. Dodd for 40 years. They have offered gracious hospitality to many friends and visitors at Doddswood (pictured in January 1996) over the years.

mate dinners, usually for not more than six or eight guests. The menu would be carefully planned by Eileen, and prepared and served by Beatrice Smith (Bea), who has continued to serve the household for 40 years. I can still remember sitting down at the candlelit table glittering with silver and hearing Harvey say, "Shall we have silent blessing first?" They were such gracious hosts. On our part, we never had a festive occasion, such as a birthday or anniversary dinner, without having Harvey and Eileen, and, later, just Eileen, to be with us. Harvey passed away in 1969.

Mrs. Dodd always loved going to school. During the summers she took graduate courses at Lehigh University, the University of Pennsylvania, New York University and the University of California. In the early 1950s, when there was much discussion of the Rorschach test, she took courses in its administration and interpretation, "just to know more about the test." She was one of the first of the faculty to offer an extension course in cooperation with the University of Virginia. For several years she conducted classes at Orange, driving back and forth over the uncertain roads of that time.

For many years Mrs. Dodd served as faculty sponsor for Alpha Phi Sigma, the national honorary scholastic fraternity at the College. Under her leadership, the organization brought many speakers and programs to the institution. It also sponsored teas, musicals, and even Sunday afternoon movies. Through award ceremonies and recognition exercises for students on the dean's list, Alpha Phi Sigma encouraged academic achievement. For many years, the organization awarded a cup to the senior having the highest average.

The hundreds of students who were in Mrs. Dodd's classes over the years remember her as a warm, enthusiastic, and capable teacher. Regardless of how many students were enrolled in each class — and her sections in general psychology and child psychology were always large — she knew each one of them. She always listened patiently to students, and her counsel about their problems was kind, sympathetic, and, most of all, constructive. Her keen perception of a young person's point of view made her an eagerly sought counselor — unofficial, but most effective.

The Dodds' home was a happy one. Even though Harvey's visiting professorships took them to the Philippines for a year and to Hong Kong for another year, they never ceased to think of Fredericksburg, and maintained an active correspondence with their friends back home.

During the many years that Mrs. Dodd served as head of the Psychology Department, it was the most popular major on the campus. Many of her students went on to graduate study in psychology, qualifying for positions of responsibility as teachers and practitioners in the field. Through the years she has kept up with large numbers of her former students.

Mrs. Dodd retired in 1970, as professor emerita of psychology, after 44 years of service to the College — and to her fellow man. Students admired her not only for what she knew and taught about psychology but for the life she lived and shared so generously with students and colleagues at Mary Washington. When a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was installed in 1971, she was elected to honorary membership.

For 52 years, Mrs. Dodd has been a member of the prestigious Literary Club of Fredericksburg. During this long period of regular attendance at the bimonthly meetings, Mrs. Dodd has presented scores of programs, speaking at length in a carefully organized manner without referring to any notes or manuscripts. She served as president of the association from 1972-1974.

In 1980, the auditorium in George Washington Hall was named Eileen K. Dodd in her honor. In her modest way, Eileen suggested that it be called simply Dodd Auditorium, so that has became the popular designation of this impressive facility. A portrait of her hangs in the lobby of the auditorium.

On my most recent visit to Doddswood, this past January, Bea greeted me at the door, helped me with my coat, and, when Eileen came in, asked if we would like some hot tea. Then we sat down for some serious conversation. Eileen nodded and smiled throughout the hour or so, laughing and adding after almost every mutual recollection, "I remember that," and, "Those were the times."

Bea, standing nearby, joined in the reminiscing. Bea is invaluable now, accompanying Eileen to meetings and social events, doing the purchasing, preparing meals, maintaining a schedule of visitors, and staying overnight when necessary. Just recently, Eileen, with Bea's assistance, attended a special service at the Presbyterian Church of Fredericksburg honoring members of 50 or more years.

Even though it has been 27 years since Eileen Kramer Dodd retired, she continues to occupy a warm place in the hearts of former students, faculty members, and friends, whose lives she has touched and enriched.

Edward Alvey Jr. is dean emeritus of Mary Washington College. Some accounts of the early days were taken from his History of Mary Washington College 1908-1972.

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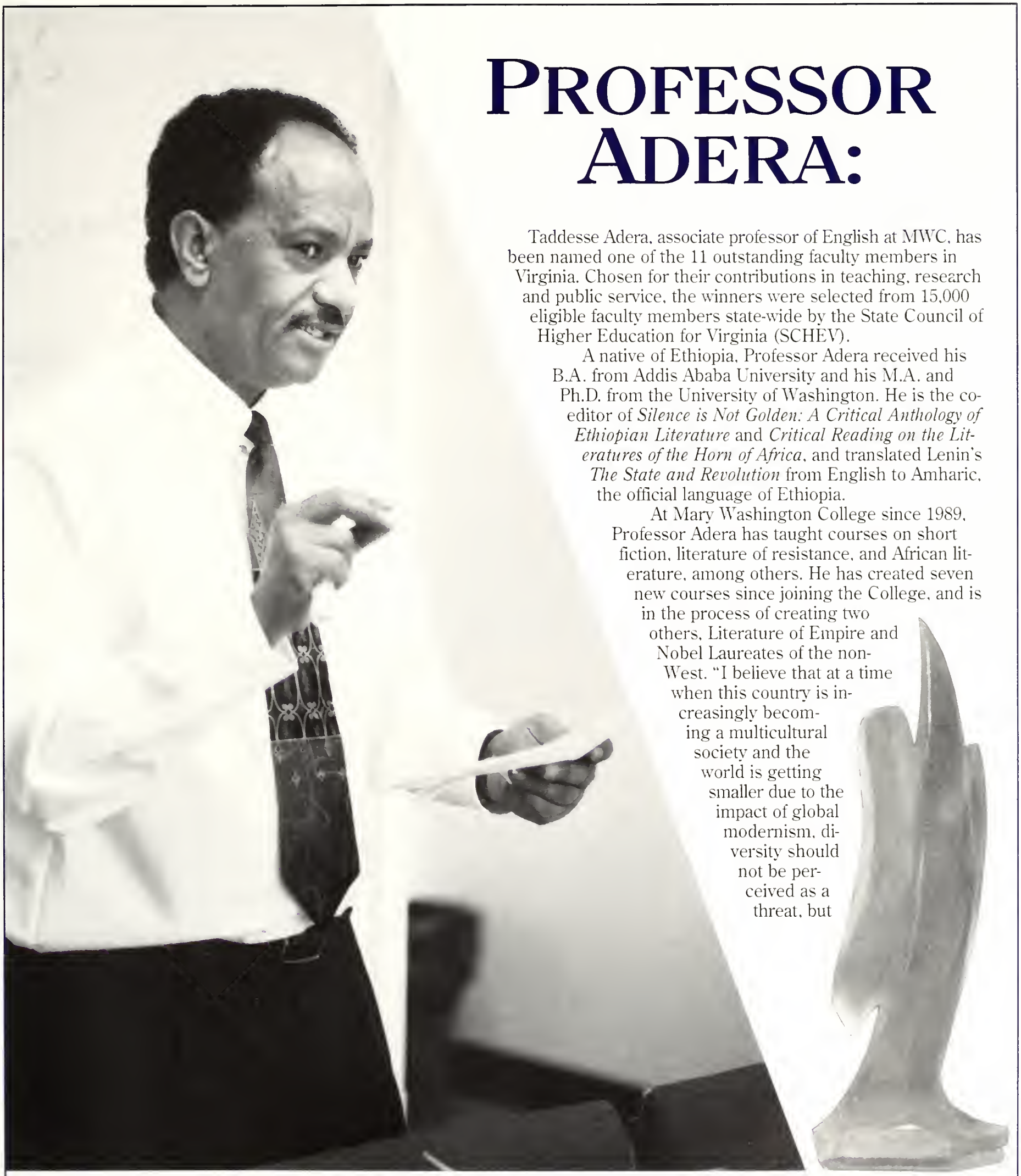

Taddesse Adera, associate professor of English at MWC, has been named one of the 11 outstanding faculty members in Virginia. Chosen for their contributions in teaching, research and public service, the winners were selected from 15,000 eligible faculty members state-wide by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV).

A native of Ethiopia, Professor Adera received his B.A. from Addis Ababa University and his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Washington. He is the co-editor of *Silence is Not Golden: A Critical Anthology of Ethiopian Literature* and *Critical Reading on the Literatures of the Horn of Africa*, and translated Lenin's *The State and Revolution* from English to Amharic, the official language of Ethiopia.

At Mary Washington College since 1989, Professor Adera has taught courses on short fiction, literature of resistance, and African literature, among others. He has created seven new courses since joining the College, and is in the process of creating two others, Literature of Empire and Nobel Laureates of the non-West. "I believe that at a time when this country is increasingly becoming a multicultural society and the world is getting smaller due to the impact of global modernism, diversity should not be perceived as a threat, but

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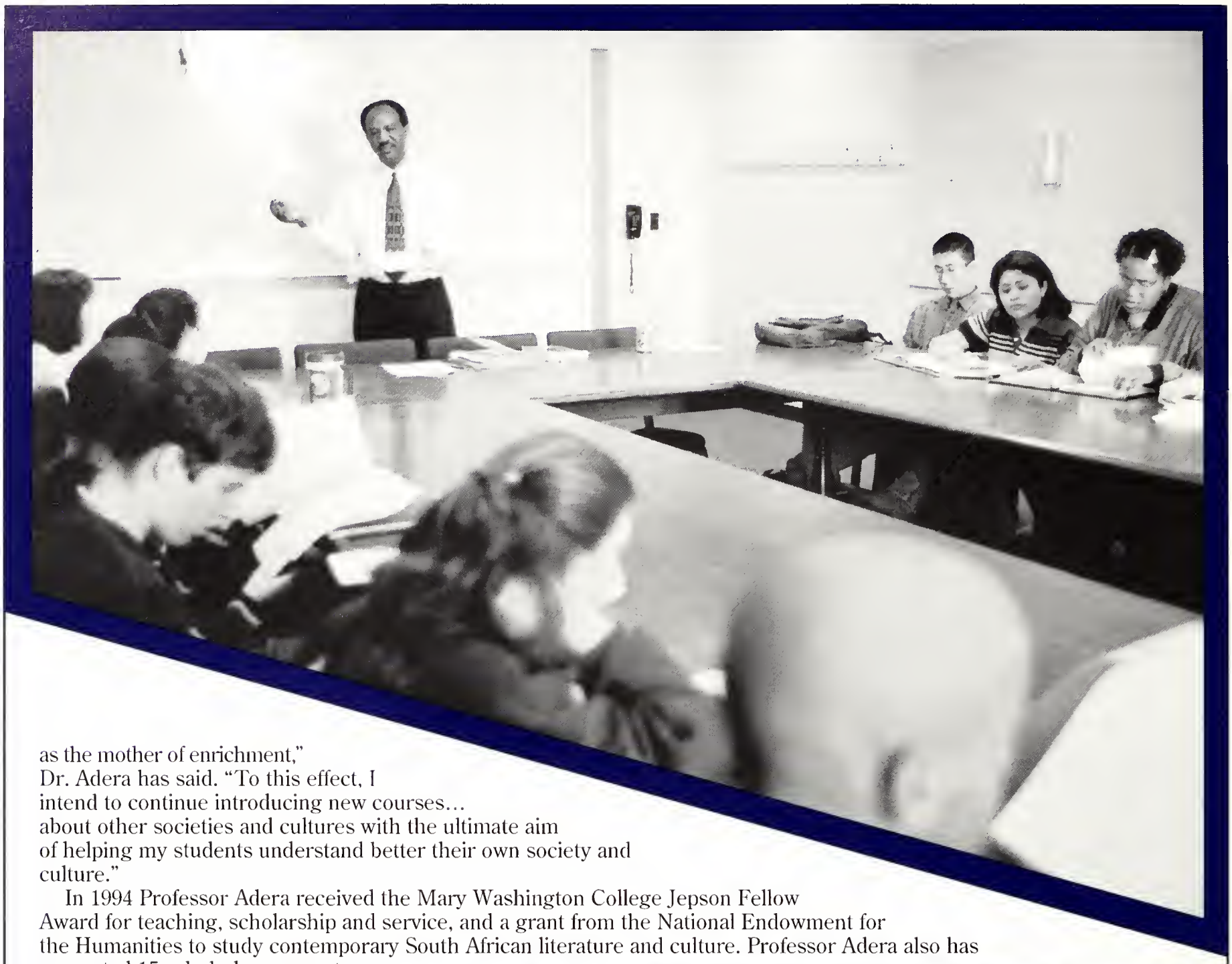

as the mother of enrichment," Dr. Adera has said. "To this effect, I intend to continue introducing new courses... about other societies and cultures with the ultimate aim of helping my students understand better their own society and culture."

In 1994 Professor Adera received the Mary Washington College Jepson Fellow Award for teaching, scholarship and service, and a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to study contemporary South African literature and culture. Professor Adera also has presented 15 scholarly papers at regional, national and international conferences.

Honored at a February awards banquet in Richmond, the Outstanding Faculty members each received a $5,000 cash prize and a commemorative crystal sculpture presented by Dr. Gordon K. Davies, director of SCHEV. Governor George Allen, Secretary of Education Beverly H. Sgro, state legislators and council members were among those present. Encore, the Mary Washington College Show Choir, performed at the dinner (see photo at right).

This is the third time since the recognition program began in 1986 that Mary Washington has had an award-winner. Nancy Mitchell, professor emerita of English, was honored in 1988, and Carol S. Manning, professor of English, received the award in 1990.

A Lifetime of Service

BY WILLIAM B. CRAWLEY JR.

When Mary Ellen Stephenson was first offered a faculty position at Mary Washington, she didn't exactly jump at the opportunity. Her reluctance was not because of any lack of appreciation for the College, but because she felt duty-bound to honor her commitment to Richmond's Thomas Jefferson High School, where she was then teaching. And so, when President Morgan Combs offered her the job, she initially demurred.

In time, of course, the young teacher did accept Dr. Combs' offer, and in 1948 began a 33-year association with the College that included exemplary service as both professor and administrator. But Dean Emeritus Edward Alvey Jr., who recounted the story recently, suggests that her initial response revealed the cardinal traits of decency and concern for others that epitomized her character — and that were to be the hallmark of her long tenure at the College.

MARY ELLEN STEPHENSON

The daughter of a teacher and the granddaughter of a minister, Mary Ellen was born and reared in Richmond in a home strongly influenced by both education and religion. Bookish by nature, she excelled in school and was especially adept at foreign languages. Before graduating from Westhampton College, where she was selected for both Mortar Board and Phi Beta Kappa, she had studied Latin, French and German — but, surprisingly, in light of her subsequent teaching career, no Spanish. That came later, at Middlebury, where she earned a master's degree in Spanish, and at the University of Chicago, where she earned a Ph.D. in Romance languages.

It was as a Spanish instructor that Mary Ellen joined the MWC faculty, and her enthusiasm for Spanish language and culture, combined with her innovative spirit, led her to push for the establishment of the College's first foreign language house. When this was accomplished at Framar, formerly the home of the College president, she became the house's resident counselor.

Her success in that capacity soon prompted the College to appoint her dean of women, succeeding the legendary Nina Bushnell, who resigned in 1950 after almost 30 years in that position. Following in the steps of the estimable Mrs. Bushnell — an MWC icon if ever there was one — must have been daunting for the young Mary Ellen. Indeed, the contrast was such that the Fredericksburg newspaper commented, in announcing the deanship appointment, that it would now "be hard for a visitor to tell a dean from a student." Yet, if the testimony of her students is any barometer, she handled the new administrative tasks not only with efficiency, but with a manner that endeared her to the student body.

It was in the classroom, however, that Mary Ellen most wanted to be, and it was there that she returned in 1953 to resume full-time teaching. But not for long. In 1956, following the appointment of Margaret Hargrove as the new dean of women, she agreed to serve as assistant dean, and did so for a number of years while continuing to teach part time. Eventually she returned permanently to full-time teaching, and served for many years as chair of the Modern Foreign Languages Department until her retirement from the faculty in 1981.

Although it is clear that Mary Ellen always considered herself to be, first and foremost, a teacher — "I guess I'm just a teacher from the bones out," she said recently — it was not only in the classroom but as dean that she made a profound impression on hundreds of students. The testimony of many alumni indicates that her rapport with her charges was extraordinary. "Students absolutely loved her," recalls Lynn McCarthy '61. "If I hadn't known her, I wouldn't have gotten through Mary Washington."

From 1950-53, Mary Ellen Stephenson served as dean of women.

Such bonds were created more than anything else by Mary Ellen's genuine compassion for students. McCarthy, for example, remembers an outbreak of Asian flu that devastated the campus in 1957, leaving many students, including her, confined to their rooms for days. "I awoke one night and saw her standing in the doorway," she says. "I had such a high fever, I thought I was hallucinating. But, sure enough, it really was Miss Stephenson, making the rounds, visiting the sick students in their rooms."

Consistent with the prevailing philosophy of *in loco parentis*, Mary Ellen could thus be a surrogate mother to those who needed it, but to others her most impressive qualities were her open-mindedness and tolerance. As one of them, Lee Richmond '56, puts it, "She understood all points of view — even those like mine, which I suppose were somewhat 'radical' for that time."

In fact, the key to Mary Ellen's effectiveness, and the explanation for the affection that she engendered in her students, may lie in the uniqueness of her personality — one that melded the graciousness and warmth of the "old Virginia" in which she was reared with an outlook that was thoroughly modern and progressive. Influenced by the past but not bound by it, she has always been able, not only to accept change, but to anticipate and embrace it.

On the matter of the College's evolution to coeducation, for example, it might have been expected that one so steeped in the tradition of women's colleges as Mary Ellen — given her own undergraduate years at Westhampton and her first 20 or so years at MWC — would have opposed the admission of men. But no. As she recently commented, "I always thought that what we had at Mary Washington was too good to restrict it to only one sex."

Although most of her professional career was spent at Mary Washington, Mary Ellen's commitment to teaching others (as well as to learning herself) has sometimes taken her far from the College. During 1966-67, she took a leave of absence to teach French at Women's Christian College in Madras, India, under the sponsorship of an international faculty exchange program promoted by Dr. Grellet C. Simpson, who was then chancellor of Mary Washington.

During her time in India, Mary Ellen recorded her observations in a series of letters, some of which were published periodically by the Fredericksburg newspaper. The letters reveal her as a perceptive and sympathetic student of India — its places, its people and its culture. Some of the accounts evince a wide-eyed sense of discovery; others are lyrical in their description of customs that, in a time when the world had not yet been shrunken by technology, seemed exotic to many Americans. [Editor's note: the letters are currently housed in Simpson Library's Special Collections Room.]

The last of those dispatches is typical. Noting that the "harvest" of her experience would be "garnered richly throughout the rest of a lifetime," she

bids farewell to the "colorful sights and sounds and smells, and the beautiful and valuable material treasures." But far more important, she concludes,

> are the human relationships it has fostered. When West meets East in a living, working comradeship, the West with all its technology and affluence has to bow before the human dignity [and] humility of the East, its gentleness and kindness, its hospitality, its selfless generosity, and its serenity and peace.

Following her retirement from the College, Mary Ellen embarked upon yet another overseas assignment, this time in Panama under the auspices of the United Methodist Church. For two-and-a-half years beginning in August 1981, she taught English to Spanish-speaking schoolteachers. Though the project was sufficiently formidable to have intimidated even a much younger person, it struck Mary Ellen as a natural thing to do. "I love to teach, and I love my students," she explained. "It seemed a waste to stop when I could make myself useful."

The experience, she later claimed, was more noteworthy for what she learned than for what she taught. "I took great delight in absorbing everything I could about a different way of life," she said. "Experiencing a new culture first-hand makes you grow." Evidently, in a time before multiculturalism had become fashionable, the concept had a committed practitioner and effective promoter in Mary Ellen Stephenson.

Miss Stephenson with a souvenir from her Panama trip: a cola shirt made by the Cuna Indians

Returning from Panama in December 1983, Mary Ellen still gave no evidence of retiring, pointedly assuring a local reporter that, once re-settled in Fredericksburg, she fully intended to "look for something worthwhile to get into." That she did, pursuing a wide range of "worthwhile" projects during the next decade. Many were related to church work, especially the missionary ministry of her beloved United Methodist Church, where she regularly taught adult Sunday School classes. It was through her church involvement that on several occasions she took refugees into her home — twice from Poland and once from China — providing succor until the newcomers could establish themselves in America.

In addition, she worked as a hospice volunteer and, ever engaged in intellectual development, wrote periodic reviews of books on a variety of subjects for the local newspaper. In recognition of the breadth and quality of her service, the Fredericksburg Women's Club honored her as its "woman of the year" in 1994.

Her extensive commitments notwithstanding, she still found time to nurture the many relationships she had held dear over the years, many of them with former students who remained lifelong friends. Lee Richmond, reflected recently on the influence that this gentle yet forceful mentor has exerted upon her career. "Quite simply, she was the reason I decided to become a teacher myself," said Dr. Richmond, "and she has been a continuing inspiration." Then, in a comment that suggests the essence of Mary Ellen's enduring influence on so many, she adds, "She was just incredibly passionate about everything she did."

And so she continued to be until forced by various infirmities in recent months to accept a decidedly uncharacteristic reduction of activities. But even now, despite diminished vigor, it is clear that she takes pleasure in reflecting over the memories of a life well-lived. Nowhere is this more evident than when her thoughts turn to the College, and to her students in particular. "Sometimes people I meet ask me if I have any children," she says. Then comes the familiar smile that warmed so many students. "I always tell them that I had at least 2,000."

In 1966-67, Miss Stephenson taught French at Women's Christian College in Madras, India.

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FILMMAKER STARS AS 1997 DVIR

BY GARDNER CAMPBELL

First, a quiz. Here are 10 characters. Where can they be found?

1) A woman who admits, on camera, that she perjured herself at a capital murder trial.
2) An inventor who claims his "interrotron" can take viewers into a non-fiction version of "The Twilight Zone."
3) A man who says his tortoise is not a turtle but a gopher, and is right.
4) A cellist who, like his mother, goes to France to study with Nadia Boulanger, the premier music teacher of this century.
5) A topiary gardener whose motto is "Cut, and wait."
6) A young ex-grad-student who spends a year interviewing the mass murderer on whom Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho" was based.
7) A young ex-salesman on the verge of a nervous breakdown who tries to help his "inspirationally dissatisfied" younger brother.
8) A private detective who poses as a filmmaker for his Wall Street clients.
9) An elderly mother who reminisces about her son's childhood love of games: Monopoly she can understand, but why would he invent a "dreadful," endless game called "Dynasty," and play it so avidly?
10) A struggling artist whose desperate wager causes a fellow artist to eat his shoe.

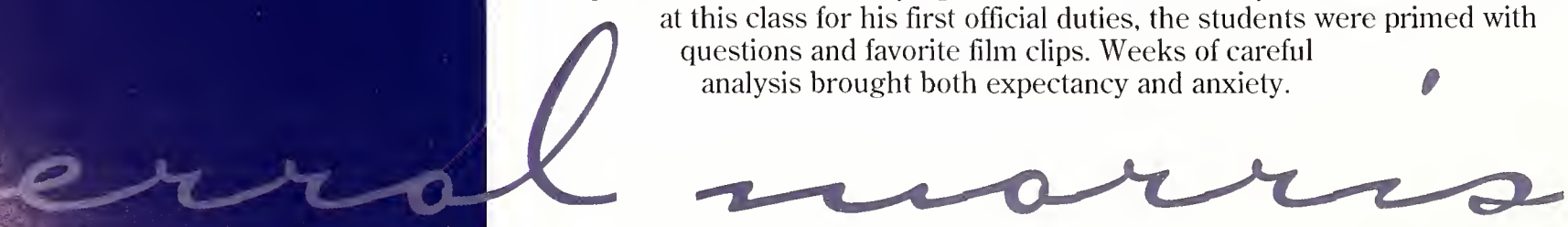
Answers to the quiz. 1) "The Thin Blue Line" 2) Errol Morris 3) "Vernon, Florida" 4) Errol Morris 5) "Fast, Cheap & Out of Control" 6) Errol Morris 7) "Gates of Heaven" 8) Errol Morris 9) "A Brief History of Time" 10) Errol Morris

Over a career spanning nearly 20 years, Errol Morris, 1997's Distinguished Visitor in Residence, has given film-lovers a gallery of astonishing human beings: killers, innocents, parents, children, scientists, entrepreneurs, true believers, skeptics and visionaries. And as he freely admitted more than once during his stay at MWC, Morris, like his memorable characters, is himself eccentric, compulsive and obsessive. He is also, one should add, warm, outgoing, generous, mordantly funny, and deeply thoughtful.

On March 4-5, Morris spoke to six MWC classes in disciplines ranging from physics to sociology to English; attended receptions and luncheons with faculty, staff and students; was interviewed at least three times; and brought with him his new film, "Fast, Cheap & Out of Control," for a public screening and question-and-answer session in Dodd Auditorium. Despite a schedule that would fell a lion, Morris' energy never seemed to flag, and his stories kept flowing forth, right up until the time of his departure.

In preparation for Morris' visit, the MWC Alumni Association put together an Errol Morris Film Festival featuring his four documentary classics: "Gates of Heaven" (1978), a whacked-out parable of life, love, and pet cemeteries (Roger Ebert calls this one of the 10 best films of all time); "Vernon, Florida" (1981), a film examining reality and knowledge by way of the oddball philosophers of a little town in the Florida panhandle; "The Thin Blue Line" (1988), the story of a man falsely accused and convicted of murder — and also the story that got that man released after 12 years of imprisonment, some of it on death row; and "A Brief History of Time" (1992), the biography of Stephen Hawking that is also a witty, paradoxical investigation into the connections between tragedy, a life, and a life's work. The festival, free and open to the public, gave Morris' longtime fans the chance to re-experience his art on the big screen, and introduced many more to the strange and wonderful worlds this filmmaker has opened to us.

As the festival continued and time for Morris' visit drew near, excitement built across the campus, especially it seemed, in my Film, Text, and Culture class, which had spent several weeks studying Morris' work intensively. When Morris appeared at this class for his first official duties, the students were primed with questions and favorite film clips. Weeks of careful analysis brought both expectancy and anxiety.



From left: Errol Morris, Gardner Campbell, and film student Nicole Johnson '97

What if the artist wouldn't talk? What if he thought the questions were inane, or the enthusiasm for his work misplaced? No worries here: Morris strode into the classroom, watched a clip from "Gates of Heaven," and held forth with anecdotes, answers, and insights for the next 70 minutes. "I was so impressed with the way Errol Morris honestly answered our questions," said one student after the class was over. "I thought after all that buildup he would manage to let us down, but he didn't." And his other class visits were equally rewarding, for students and teachers alike.

Perhaps the high point of Morris' visit was the public screening of his new film, "Fast, Cheap & Out of Control." Like most of Morris' films, "Fast, Cheap & Out of Control" very nearly didn't get made. Only at the last minute did Morris borrow money from the bank to strike a 35mm print to show at the 1997 Sundance Festival. His gamble paid off: the Sundance premiere was a triumph, and Sony Pictures Classics bought distribution rights to the film. The film Morris brought to MWC was the same work-in-progress Sundance festival-goers saw, although the MWC screening was of a video copy — the only existing 35mm print was on its way to Cannes for the film festival there.

After the well-attended screening, Morris took questions from the audience about "Fast, Cheap & Out of Control," which he called a "kind of crazy elegy" for his recently deceased mother and stepfather. The film centers on four men: a lion tamer, a topiary gardener, a mole-rat expert, and a robotics expert and inventor. Their stories are intercut with footage of their work, clips from old movies, and images from the five different cameras cinematographer Robert Richardson used during production (8mm, 16mm, 35mm, video, and film-to-video — six if you count the camera used to peer down the mole-rats' tunnels), all scored to the haunting music of composer Caleb Sampson. The "story" that emerges from these apparently disparate parts treats some of Morris' favorite themes — relationship, isolation, the self and the other, death, and the marvelous — but adds a new layer of reflection and maturity that signals the work of an artist at the peak of his career.

At the end of the film, Morris has assembled extraordinary images of the topiary gardener with his "green animals," hard at work despite his advancing years and the "animals" perpetual vulnerability to storm and other natural violence. In slow-motion, the gardener moves across the film-frame with his shears and his umbrella, a mysterious emblem of love and defiance that the viewer will not soon forget.

Students were impressed with the DVIR's honesty.

Morris told the audience that he thought of William Butler Yeats' poem "Lapis Lazuli" in connection with this film about obsessive commitment in the face of defeat and uncertainty: Yeats writes, "All things fall and are built again, / And those that build them again are gay." The joyous determination in Yeats' poem and in Morris' characters applies very much to Morris as well. Despite the many setbacks of his own artistic journey, Morris has fashioned a brilliant career and a remarkable body of work that will live as long as human beings wonder about the worlds inside their fellow human beings. Best of all, during his time at MWC Errol Morris freely shared his vision, his courage, his wicked humor, and his humanity with everyone who came into contact with him. As one student commented, "I found his visit so inspiring. He just seemed so relaxed and comfortable." Another noted, "It was incredibly wonderful to have Errol Morris here. He was just so nice, for lack of a better word. Unassuming. Approachable." Senior Jenn Sydnor spoke for many when she said, "I really had a great time and learned a lot in 'Errol Morris Land.' Too bad I can't live there forever."

Gardner Campbell is as an assistant professor of English at MWC. Dr. Campbell has taught courses in film studies, the literature of Renaissance England, poetry, myth and literature, and writing.

THE SIMPSON SENSATION

BY
JENNIFER M.
TOTA '99

Four years ago, Director of Athletics Edward Hegmann walked into Goolrick Gym to find a wide-eyed freshman gazing up at the All-American plaques lining the hallway. Half-jokingly he asked the student — whom he had never met — if she planned on winning one herself. He well remembers her reply. "That's my goal, sir," she said. "That's my goal."

That hallway is now adorned with many plaques bearing that student's name: *Myronee´ Simpson*. As Mary Washington's first national champion in track and field, Myra (as she is better known around campus) has clearly reached lofty athletic goals. But, far from being one-dimensional, she has achieved comparable success in the classroom and in a variety of extra-curricular activities as well.

Born in Chicago, and reared in Virginia Beach, Myra was initially drawn to MWC by its small size, friendly atmosphere, and challenging academic program; however, she noticed soon after arriving that the College had another unique feature. "Students here are motivated to do their best academically," she says, "but are also encouraged to pursue other interests." And this she has done to a remarkable degree.

First, there is her extraordinary success in sports, including four All-American awards in track and field, two Capital Athletic Conference "Woman of the Year" honors, the Arthur Ashe Foundation Award, and — drum roll, please — the 1996 NCAA Division III national championship in the long jump. Significantly, her interest in athletics routinely extends far beyond her own performance. At any given sports event — be it basketball, soccer, tennis, or field hockey — Myra will likely be there, avidly cheering for her fellow Eagles.

"Myra personifies the true student-athlete," says an admiring Hegmann. "Everything she does is with an attitude that's never selfish, and always supportive of others. And she has a genuine humbleness about her accomplishments that's really incredible for a national champion."

Yet Myra's outstanding athletic performance constitutes but a small portion of her contributions to MWC. She is, for example, one of the two students who serve on the Alumni Association Board of Directors. She is also an active member of the MWC Ambassadors, a leadership group whose members, among other things, seek to cultivate alumni support by helping to keep graduates informed about current College activities. As Cindy Snyder, director of alumni relations, said recently, "The board joked last weekend that we didn't want Myra to graduate; she's been such a wonderful asset to the whole College and to the Alumni Association particularly."

Myra is also active in promoting the

Myra listens to suggestions from her adviser, Bruce O'Brien, assistant professor of history.

Prospective students and their families begin a tour of campus with Washington Guides Jen Cook '97 and Myra Simpson.

College's multicultural efforts, especially through assisting the work of BOND — Black Men of a New Direction — a group that focuses on emphasizing the positive contributions of African-American males on campus. Vice President for Multicultural Affairs Forrest Parker commends Myra's "unreal work ethic" in helping to arrange speakers, concerts, plays and receptions for the organization. "She doesn't ever brag or boast," he says, "but lets her actions speak for her."

Such actions also include service as a member of the Washington Guides, who provide campus tours for prospective students. Melissa Wheat, the assistant dean of admissions who directs the volunteer group, notes that Myra is ideal for the job because of her manifest love for MWC and because "her experience has been so broad she can cover a great deal based on her own college career."

Despite her extensive range of commitments, Myra still excels academically, especially in her major program — history — where she maintains a 3.7 GPA. She has earned a reputation among fellow students for her eager classroom contributions and, above all, for her incredible recall. "Some students claim she has a photographic memory," says Professor William Crawley, who has had her in several classes. "I don't know if that's true, but I do know that if I forget a specific date and Myra's in the class, all I need to do is ask her." To another history professor, Richard Warner, the most critical factor in Myra's academic performance is not so much her remarkable memory, but "her genuine passion for the study of history" — that coupled with her "incredible determination to excel."

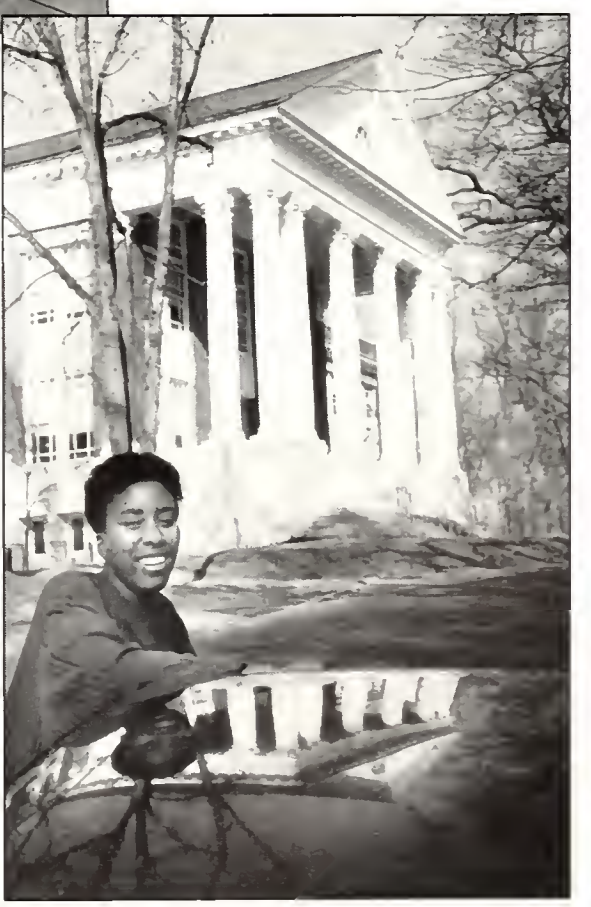
It is, in fact, that kind of determination that has characterized all her pursuits, both in the classroom and beyond. As she herself says, "You can't be discouraged when things aren't going in the direction you want them to. You have to tell yourself to get over any mistakes, keep on going, and do better the next time."

Through a combination of academic drive, record-breaking athletic skill, and selfless devotion to MWC, Myra has contributed to the life of the College in a fashion matched by few others. It is her personality, however, that most draws the admiration of her peers and professors alike; serious of purpose, yet friendly and totally unpretentious, she has an attitude so positive that it naturally attracts all who meet her.

Perhaps Forrest Parker puts it best. "She is so enthusiastic and such a hard worker," he says. "If there is ever a Myra Simpson fan club, I'll certainly join it. If not, maybe I'll start one."

Be prepared, Mr. Parker. In light of her many admirers, you will be a busy man.

Jennifer Tota is a rising junior majoring in history at MWC.



Myra has spent many hours in Monroe Hall, academic home for history majors.

BLUEPRINT FOR SUCCESS

BY CLINT OFTEN

Mary Washington College's athletics program has become one of the best in the country in a short time. Twenty-one years ago, in fall 1976, Ed Hegmann was named athletic director of a Mary Washington College program that fielded six sports — five for women and one for men. In his first year, Hegmann saw those teams finish with a collective 33-60-1 record.

Fast forward to 1997. Mary Washington now boasts 21 sports and unparalleled success in its program.

Since 1976, 93 All-Americans have performed at MWC, and 77 teams have been represented at NCAA Division III Championships. Among those teams were Hegmann's 1982, 1988 and 1991 women's tennis teams, which won national championships.

According to Hegmann, the initial phase of the blueprint for success was hiring coaches who believed in the school's philosophy of balancing academics with athletics. "We put coaches in charge who had experience as varsity athletes," he says. "They brought with them a competitive spirit to strive for excellence."

A tremendous boost marking the emergence of MWC athletics was construction of the beautiful Battleground facilities used by the Eagles' outdoor teams. The complex is a product of Hegmann's vision and the vigorous support of Presidents Prince B. Woodard and William M. Anderson Jr., and the Mary Washington College Board of Visitors. "Their unrelenting support, even in the face of occasional criticism... has been invaluable to the growth of the program," says Hegmann.

Without quality athletes, however, the program would not have attained its current prominence. Hegmann says that athletes at Mary Washington fit into three distinct groups of the program's evolution.

The first group of athletes, "pioneers," as Hegmann calls them, rose to the challenge of participating in a new unproven program and preparing a solid foundation for the athletic future.

The second wave of athletes built upon the early success of the pioneers, winning numerous state and regional championships, particularly in women's sports. Around this time, Mary Washington's athletes began getting recognition at the national level — like Deb Reid, one of the charter members of MWC's Athletic Hall of Fame, and the first-ever All-American at MWC (in field hockey in 1981).

Ed Hegmann coached the men's basketball team in the late '70s.

In the late 1980s, the third wave of athletes at Mary Washington gained national prominence, with over half of the school's teams participating in national tournaments. Since that time, Eagle athletic teams have remained at the top of the Capital Athletic Conference, winning the Conference All-Sports Award every year since joining the conference in academic year 1990-91.

The athletic achievement of this bumper crop of very talented athletes is mirrored by academic success. Over half of Mary Washington's athletes earned at least a 3.0 GPA in 1995-96, and almost as many registered at least a 3.0 in the fall 1996 semester.

Mary Washington's blueprint for success on regional and national levels has included experienced and knowledgeable coaches, a supportive college administration, and focused athletes that seek excellence in the classroom as well as in intercollegiate competition. This combination has pushed MWC's athletic program to the forefront of NCAA Division III and should keep it there well into the future.

Tennis champ Christy Copper '91

Clint Often is the sports information director at MWC.

MWC field hockey, soccer, and baseball teams in action

Institutional Image and Stafford Name Under Study

What is the image of Mary Washington College today, and what is it likely to become with the addition of the Stafford Campus in 1999? The recently formed College Image and Stafford Name Committee is studying the issue.

This advisory committee to the MWC Board of Visitors is grappling with other weighty concerns as well. By what name should the academic programs at the Stafford Campus be called? College, campus, center? Has the time arrived for the separate and distinct MWC and Stafford Campus programs to be elevated to university status with an umbrella name connecting the two? One of these questions would make the committee's task arduous enough, but finding answers to all of them will take every bit of the committee's projected time line of eight to 10 months.

Even though many of the members live out of town and most have jobs that keep them hopping during the day, each person requested to serve answered with an enthusiastic "yes." The varied membership represents all areas that touch the College: three members each from the board of visitors, the alumni association, the faculty, the administrative staff, present MWC students, the foundation board and Fredericksburg-area community leaders. Kathleen S. Mehfoud '70, former rector and current board member, leads the forward-thinking group as committee chair.

Rector Paul Dresser proposed three members of the board of visitors to serve on the College Image and Stafford Name Committee. "I asked Kathy Mehfoud to chair the committee," Dresser says, "because of her many ties to Mary Washington College and the longevity of her experience here. Kathy has a historical knowledge of the institution based on her years as a student and, more recently, as the parent of a Mary Washington student. This is her eighth year of board service, and she is immediate past rector. She has an obvious loyalty to MWC and has shown a sincere interest in this campus as well as the Stafford Campus."

Chair Kathy Mehfoud says that the committee has much work to accomplish in a short time. "I am pleased to have such a diverse, qualified and enthusiastic committee to assist in this daunting task. There have already been meetings of the committee and a subcommittee. Staff members are already engaged in the duties assigned to them in these meetings. Surveys have been developed and focus groups set up. It will take everyone's cooperation to see that the committee achieves its purposes."

Ronald E. Singleton, vice president for college relations and legislative affairs, serves as staff liaison to Ms. Mehfoud and is helping with the mechanics of data collection for the committee. As a cost-saving measure, Singleton's office is handling the printing and mailing of more than 6,000 survey questionnaires to prospective students, current students, faculty, staff members and alumni. Those surveyed will be randomly selected, and the questionnaires will be collected and tabulated by the project's consultant in Northern Virginia.

Meeting for the first time this past Feb-

In September 1995, dignitaries gathered at the site of the future Stafford campus on Rt. 17.

ruary, the College Image and Stafford Name committee has three charges.

- To develop a preferred name or series of preferred names in rank order, for the graduate and continuing education program that will be located in Stafford County.

- To review and make recommendations concerning the possible need for an all-encompassing name for the institution that would incorporate the programs on the new campus in Stafford County, the programs on the existing MWC campus, and future programs or colleges that may be added to the institution (including the question whether the institution should consider university status.)

- To undertake a research-based review of the institution's image, focusing in particular on the opinions and attitudes of prospective students and those who influence them in their college-selection process.

An outside consultant, Walker Johanson, president of The National Institute for Organizational Research and Problem-Solving, will guide, compile, tabulate and analyze the research-based studies. Based on those findings, and with the approval of the president and the board of visitors, a new institutional logo and graphic identity will be developed by the offices of college relations and publications.

"It's a massive undertaking," Singleton adds, "but this research should be helpful in providing sufficient data for the committee to make its recommendations."

"The work of this committee is critical in shaping Mary Washington College's future," states Marjorie Meredith Poyck '66, executive vice president of MWC. "This is true not only for establishing an identity for the new campus in Stafford County, but also in establishing the institution's place in Virginia higher education in the 21st century. We are at a unique crossroad in our history, and we need to take good and full advantage of this opportunity."

This much we already know for certain: The name Mary Washington College for the current campus shall remain unchanged.

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HISTORIAN/ BIOGRAPHER/ ENTERTAINER: DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN

Trinkle Hall rotunda was the location for the Fredericksburg Forum reception.

Doris Kearns Goodwin (center) mingles with members of the audience, including Leroy Strohl, library director (left).

BY LIZ GORDON

Against a gleaming-gold backdrop, Susan Wagner Lacy '70, an award-winning producer of prime-time public television programs, gives The Fredericksburg Forum audience a hint of how stimulating the April evening with historian Doris Kearns Goodwin is going to be: Lacy says after meeting Goodwin she felt an immediate bond.

That's exactly how the audience feels, too, from the moment Goodwin begins her sometimes melancholy, sometimes capricious, always charming anecdotes of presidents Roosevelt, Kennedy, Johnson, Carter and Clinton.

Honored with the 1995 Pulitzer Prize for History for her best seller, *No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II*, Dr. Goodwin comes imbued with six years of research to impart to her audience. Yet, as fresh and entertaining as her material is, it's her enthusiasm that causes listeners to mentally note and plan to buy her Roosevelt book and her other best-sellers, *Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream* and *The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys*.

And whom do we credit for Goodwin's extraordinary reporting abilities? "When my father arrived home from work each night," she says, "he would ask me to give him a play-by-play account of the evening's Brooklyn Dodgers broadcast. It was years before I realized he got the same thing from the next morning's paper."

That, she tells the audience, began her fascination with baseball. Later, this graduate of Colby College and 10-year

member of Harvard's faculty would combine her intellectual prowess with her interest in baseball to pinch-hit commentary for Ken Burn's PBS series, "Baseball."

With this same vitality, she confirms suspicions of Lyndon Johnson's paranoia, explains why Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt *needed* to help the world, and titillates the audience with tidbits that most historians and biographers don't delve into: the complexities that made these presidents human.

Goodwin's exploits began when, as a 24-year-old and a White House Fellow, she assisted Lyndon Johnson with his memoirs. Through her unflagging desire to investigate beyond the obvious data, we see how Johnson gained positive energy from the American public when it was with him and how he struggled when, in retirement, he found himself without it.

Next Goodwin helps the audience remember Roosevelt. She compassionately explains Franklin and Eleanor's need for unconventional companionship and how he relaxed with 10-day fishing trips, marathon poker games or adventure movies until Eleanor would bring in her choice of "The Grapes of Wrath." Goodwin reminds us of how the media, more sensitive to the need for privacy in those days, refused to report or photograph the times Roosevelt faltered or fell because of his infirmities. She reveals how Eleanor, after discovering her husband's affair, redirected her energy to champion the underprivileged.

At the end of Goodwin's remarks, Susan Wagner Lacy, herself the recipient of Emmy and Peabody Awards as well as nine Golden Eagles, and Charles W. Sydnor Jr., president and chief executive officer of Central Virginia Educational Telecommunications Corporation, sift through questions submitted by members of the audience. Now, seated comfortably with her interviewers, Goodwin reminds the audience to always take into account the rationale and mores of the times when it comes to questioning history. Still animated, she responds to each question with a wealth of detail and opinion. Then, much too soon, the evening is over.

Honored this year as the recipient of the Charles Frankel Prize in the Humanities, Goodwin introduces powerful figures as if for the first time, allowing her audience to view the leaders not as just presidents but as ordinary people who wanted to shape the world.

Shelby Foote, another noted historian, appears at the next Fredericksburg Forum in October with journalist Charles McDowell. In the spring, Hal Holbrook will present his "Evening with Mark Twain."

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

A book titled *The Islamic Intellectual Tradition in Persia*, edited by Mehdi Aminrazavi, assistant professor of philosophy and religion, was published by Curzon Press in London. Two articles written by Aminrazavi also have been published. "Medieval Philosophical Discourse and Muslim-Christian Dialogue" appeared in the *American Journal of Islamic Social Studies*. "Antinomian Tradition in Islamic Mysticism" appeared in *The Bulletin*, a scholarly journal published by the Henry Martyn Institute of Islamic Studies. Aminrazavi was the organizer and chair of "A Symposium on the Future of Islamic Philosophy in the West" and presented a paper titled "An Epistemic Analysis of Ibn Sina's Suspended Man Argument" at the 15th Annual Conference of the Society for the Study of Ancient, Medieval and Islamic Philosophy and Science at the Institute of Global Cultural Studies at Binghamton University, State University of New York. The focus of the conference was "Global and Multicultural Dimensions of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy and Social Thought."

Jack E. Bales, reference and bibliographic instruction librarian for Simpson Library, recently contributed three essays for publication in the upcoming *Encyclopedia of American Literature*. The topics of Bales' essays were mid-20th century writers Kenneth Roberts, Esther Forbes and Willie Morris. The essays contain brief biographical information and overviews of the authors' major works and literary styles. Bales has been involved in research on all three individuals and other authors. He has produced four books, a number of articles and essays, and several entries in a reference book on American literature. He also has written a soon-to-be published book on Esther Forbes.

Christopher Kilmartin in class

Joanna D. Catron, curator of Belmont, The Gari Melchers Estate and Memorial Gallery, is the author of "Gari Melchers, the Embrace of an American in Germany," which appeared in the exhibition catalog *Vice Versa: German Painters in America, American Painters in Germany, 1813-1913*. The article, published in German by the German Historical Museum in Berlin, was one of 16 contributed by experts on both sides of the Atlantic, featuring crosscurrents in German-American aesthetics from the early 19th century to the first days of modern art. The catalog accompanies an exhibition by the same name at the German Historical Museum. The exhibition includes the Melchers painting "The Red Hussar," on loan from Belmont.

B.K. Faunce, assistant professor of English, recently wrote "Film Notes," a comparison between "Little Women" and "Forrest Gump," which was published in *The Psychoanalytic Review*.

Martha V. Fickett, professor of music, presented a paper for the Capital Chapter of the American Musicological Society at the University of Richmond. The title of her presentation was "An Antiphon for St. Martin's Office: Problems of Melody, Mode and Test."

James E. Goehring, associate professor of religion, presented his paper, "Recent Research in Coptic Monasticism: 1992-1996," at the Sixth International Congress of Coptic Studies held in Münster, Germany. "Withdrawing from the Desert: Pachomius and the Development of Village Monasticism in Upper Egypt," a paper challenging the common association of early Egyptian monasticism with the desert, recently appeared in the *Harvard Theological Review*.

Christopher Kilmartin, associate professor of psychology, was interviewed on the radio program "With Good Reason," which aired on Richmond station WCVE and on Washington, D.C.'s WAMU. Kilmartin, who is an expert on gender roles and men's issues, focused on gift-giving between the sexes.

Margaret A. Klayton, associate professor of business administration, moderated and presented information on a panel about technology strategies and telecommunications. This panel discussion was held for the Women in Technology Conference in Northern Virginia. Klayton also organized and moderated "Telecommuting and Human Resource Issues," a nation-wide teleconference hook-up. The panel was broadcast during the "Tele-

commuting World" conference in San Francisco. As a guest lecturer in the Fast-Track M.B.A. program at Virginia Commonwealth University, Klayton also presented a program on the business aspects of telecommuting.

Janusz Konieczny, assistant professor of mathematics, presented "Centralizers in the Semigroup of Partial Transformation," at the International Conference on Transformation Semigroups and Acts over Monoids. The conference was held in Tartu, Estonia.

Forrest McGill, director of the Mary Washington College Galleries, served as lecturer on a three-week study tour of Southeast Asia sponsored by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The tour featured the architecture and culture of Cambodia, Thailand and Indonesia. McGill, a specialist in the art of Southeast Asia, has written and lectured extensively on the subject.

Patricia L. Metzger, professor of business administration, presented a paper, "How Students Directed An Almost Perfect Course in How to Manage Not-for-Profit Organizations," at the 11th International Self-Directed Learning Symposium. Another paper, "An Examination of the Influence of Gender and Academic Interest on Assessments by Business Students of the Importance of Ethical Issues," was presented at the National Meeting of American Society of Business and Behavioral Sciences. Metzger was awarded Certified Government Financial Manager designation. Metzger also acted as chair for "Accounting Potpourri," a session conducted during the Southeastern Chapter Annual Meeting of the Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences. In addition, Metzger presented a paper titled "Successfully Educating Adult Students Requires New Approaches in Instruction" for the National Association of Graduate-Professional Students National Conference.

John H. Reynolds, professor of computer science and chair of the Department of Computer Science, presented a paper at the Tenth Annual Southeastern Small College Computing Conference held at East Tennessee State University. The paper, "Introducing Parallelism in Computer Organization Using MPI," was published in *The Journal of Computing in Small Colleges.*

Douglas W. Sanford, assistant professor of historic preservation, and director of archaeological programs of the Center for Historic Preservation, presented a paper titled "Down by the Riverside: Archaeology at and Around Historic Dams in Eastern Virginia" at the annual meeting of the Archaeological Society of Virginia, held in Ashland, Va.

Stephen H. Watkins, associate professor of English, has had his nonfiction book, *The Black O: Racism and Redemption in An American Corporate Empire*, accepted for publication by the University of Georgia Press. Watkins has recently published short stories in the journals *Fiction and Drama*, *Apalachee Quarterly*, *Sun Dog: The Southeast Review*, and *Mediphors*. Another short story is forthcoming in *New Virginia Review*, and three poems have been accepted for publication by the journal *Witness*. In addition, his article on National Public Radio essayist Jerome Stern appeared in the November/December 1996 issue of *Poets & Writers* magazine. Watkins gave talks on "Recruiting and Retaining Staff for Small College Newspapers," and "Sexual Harassment in the Newsroom," at the Associated Collegiate Press/College Media Advisors Annual Conference.

EVENTS ON CAMPUS

November

Encore, the Mary Washington College Show Choir, presented its "Showstoppers" concert...The artwork of 10 senior studio art majors was on display in duPont Gallery...The Department of Psychology sponsored a lecture on "Freeze-Frame Relaxation," a new stress-relief technique... The Fredericksburg Singers performed "The Best of Baroque"...The Mary Washington College Jazz Ensemble presented its annual fall concert...Ralph N. Blomster,

Arun Gandhi

Avery Sommers of "Charcoal Sketches"

professor of biomedicinal chemistry at the University of Maryland, lectured on "Plants as a Source of Drugs" to the Virginia section meeting of the American Chemical Society...The Mary Washington College Department of Theatre and Dance presented the MWC Dance Company in concert.

December

The Music Department presented "A Holiday Concert"...At the December "Pops" Concert by the Mary Washington College-Community Symphony Orchestra, the Rev. Lawrence A. Davies, former mayor of Fredericksburg and long-time pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church-Old Site, received the 1996 "Citizen Salute Award"... Two new exhibitions featuring "treasures from the attic" of the Mary Washington College Galleries were on display from November-February: "New Selections from the Permanent Collection" and "Labyrinths: Margaret Sutton Drawings of the 1970s."

January

Arun Gandhi, grandson of Mohandas K. Gandhi, India's late spiritual leader and champion of non-violence, was the featured speaker at the College's Martin Luther King Jr. Day observance. Gandhi, who is a Scholar in Residence at Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tenn., and founder of the M.K. Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence, lectured on "Why the King and Gandhi Dreams Remain Unfulfilled"..."Charcoal Sketches," a multi-genre work about women who helped shape American history, was part of MWC's Cultural Awareness Series...A seminar, "Steps to Starting Your Own Business," was offered in January and again in March

Stephanie Thornton '98 helps prepare a February exhibition in the Ridderhof Martin Gallery.

by the Rappahannock Region Small Business Development Center...The Business Administration Department offered a free two-day training session for tax preparers who volunteer their services to help low-income and elderly residents with their tax returns.

February

The Mary Washington College Galleries displayed "French Impressions: 19th-Century French Prints and Drawings." This collection of 48 artworks was on loan from the Spencer Museum of Art at the University of Kansas...The Department of Theatre and Dance presented "Getting Out," a drama by Marsha Norman... Black History Month featured numerous programs, including motivational speaker Marlon Smith and a poetry reading focusing on "The Black Family" by Marita Golden...Carter L. Hudgins, 1996 winner of the Historic Preservation Book Prize given by the Center for Historic Preservation at Mary Washington College, lectured on "The Future of Vernacular Architecture."

March

Women's History Month included a variety of events: films, lectures and panel discussions. The month's keynote speaker was author bell hooks, who lectured on "Ending Sexism and Racism" and offered a workshop on "The Future of Feminism."...Carly Collier presented a slide presentation of her works titled "The Muses: A Tribute to Mature Women Who Lead Creative Lives."...Award-winning journalist and photographer Marat Moore discussed women in non-traditional trades and their relationships with labor unions...Luise White, African historian and Senior Smithsonian Fellow at the Center for Folklife Programs, lectured on "Prostitution in Modern Africa: A Feminist History." American Indian activist Gloria Grant Means spoke about "Women and Injustice in American Indian Communities."

"The Role of Tribal Territory in the Erosion of Tribal Sovereignty: The Cheyenne River and Lake Traverse Indian Reservations" was the topic of Erin H. Fouberg of Northern State University, South Dakota...MWC competed with 13 other schools in the Third Annual Intercollegiate Ethics Bowl at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics in Washington, D.C....Five musicians from the Filharmonie Hradec Kralove in the Czech Republic participated in the Visiting Artists Program at the College.

bell hooks

Alumni News

Message From The President Of The Alumni Association

During the past year, the alumni board has made an extensive review of the alumni association's various programs. After thorough discussion, the board voted unanimously to make several changes that promise to be beneficial.

One decision was to eliminate the alumni newsletter, because of escalating expenses, and to use alternative (and more cost-efficient) means of communicating with our membership. One method is through regular publication of a message, such as this one, in *MWC Today*. This allows us to share news of the association's plans and activities not only with alumni but with the larger audience reached by the magazine.

A second method of communication involves the College's state-of-the-art computer network. This extraordinary system will be a real asset to alumni, both as a resource and as a medium for interaction. We hope that development of our web site will eventually facilitate address updates, event registration, and possibly submission of class notes for *MWC Today*. It will also allow the alumni office to make program information available in a much more timely manner than is possible through printed materials. So, surfers, check out what's new at http://www.mwc.edu.

Another significant board decision involves the re-focusing of the Distinguished Visitor in Residence program. Since its inauguration in 1971, this program has been notably successful in bringing to campus luminaries from a wide variety of fields to meet with students and to make public presentations.

In recent years, however, it has become increasingly difficult, both financially and logistically, for our organization to sustain the program. Moreover, the College-sponsored Fredericksburg Forum, which made its debut in April of last year, now essentially fulfills the basic goals of DVIR, and is supported by a full-time staff member and a much larger budget. Thus the spirit of DVIR lives on, but under the stewardship of another College agency — and with our blessings.

Our plan now is to devote our own resources to a more manageable — and in many ways even more appropriate — effort: a graduate-in-residence program. The idea is to bring back to campus each year some of our alumni who have gained distinction in their fields, who would meet with students and classes in their respective departments, and deliver a public presentation. This will showcase our own graduates and provide networking opportunities while tangibly demonstrating to current students the value of a Mary Washington education. The association is grateful to Topher Bill, chair of the Psychology Department, for bringing to our attention the successful program of that department, upon which this concept is based.

Finally, the alumni board's Executive Committee has devoted the last several months to working toward development of a plan for setting and achieving long-range goals for the alumni association. Our work is still in progress, and is concurrent with a college-wide study (including alumni representation) designed to evaluate and enhance the institution's image as it prepares to open and name the new campus in Stafford County — an entity whose purpose is to serve the adult education needs of the community.

I am pleased to report that, even though deliberations are in an early stage, one decision has already been made: Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg — the place that you and I attended — will not be changing its name or its traditional character and mission. So, rest assured — and in the meanwhile, watch this space (or check the Internet!) — for further developments of interest to all who care about our College.

I personally wish to encourage all alumni to keep in touch with the College — visit the campus whenever possible (especially Reunion Weekend), attend regional events, respond to your class agents when they write to you, send nominations for alumni awards, alumni board, graduate-in-residence, etc. There are literally hundreds of ways to interact and/or serve, and we are interested in your ideas and comments.

Terrie Young Crawley '77
President
Mary Washington College
Alumni Association

THE ALUMNI SURVEY SAYS...

BY KATHRYN REYNOLDS WILLIS '70

Numbers and percentages confirm it: Mary Washington alumni report a high degree of satisfaction with their MWC education.

That's the evaluation in surveys sent last year to a random selection of alumni. An impressive 49 percent of the 1996 surveys were returned, a rate of response that says a great deal about alumni interest.

The objective of the survey is to gauge the effectiveness of a Mary Washington College education from the results it has had in the lives of its graduates. Besides a general assessment, academic programs and the writing intensive requirement are part of the questionnaire.

This survey shows that the single most important contribution of an MWC education has been in personal growth and understanding. Nearly 80 percent of the respondents believe their education has improved the quality of their lives, regardless of the financial benefit. Most (74 percent) would choose Mary Washington if they were given the chance to begin again.

An MWC education, they said, has been most helpful in the areas of writing, understanding written information, and working independently. The College got very high marks in skill-building: organizing time, planning and carrying out projects, learning independently, and persisting at difficult tasks.

A majority (51 percent) said that the ability to engage in life-long learning was the aspect of their lives most advanced by their college experience. Other significant benefits which they noted were practical skills in obtaining employment, and self-confidence in expressing ideas.

There were low scores, however, in two "life preparation" skills: using math in daily activities, and understanding consumer issues. A new curricular emphasis on quantitative skills should assure higher marks in future surveys.

Yet, in relation to job readiness, most respondents (68 percent) viewed themselves as "very well prepared." An additional 27 percent judged themselves as "adequately prepared." That's an impressive 95 percent total score of satisfaction. Moreover, nearly 50 percent reported that their professional skills were better or more complete than those of co-workers in their first post-graduation jobs.

MWC alumni are generous with their time and money, as well. A majority (52 percent) volunteer one to eight hours a month; 67 percent donate at least 1 – 2 percent of their income to charitable causes, including 21 percent who indicate a contribution level of 3 – 4 percent.

Many alumni want to help recruit students for MWC, and many also want to assist current students in career counseling. In addition, they recommended an increased level of career development and assistance for current students.

Interest in regional alumni activities is high among MWC graduates, with 59 percent of out-of-state alumni strongly favoring the continuation and expansion of regional alumni programs. Alumni loyalty was also evident in that more than 70 percent of this survey group said they have visited Mary Washington in the last five years.

Results of this survey were presented to the alumni association board at its fall 1996 meeting. The insights provided by survey data will help alumni leaders develop goals and strategies, and will also help in shaping future alumni programming.

Finally, the survey will help guide the College in serving both alumni and current students more effectively. Thanks to all who participated!

If you'd like to tell us your own thoughts after having read this summary of the results, please drop us a line. We'd welcome your sharing!

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Gari Melchers (far right) in the company of colleagues and a Dutch model in the village of Volendam, Holland, c. 1893.

A Special Invitation To The Netherlands

A 12-day escorted tour of Holland is being planned for 1998 that promises to be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for art lovers and fans of Gari Melchers. The trip is sponsored by Belmont, the Gari Melchers Estate and Memorial Gallery and VHS Bergen, a member of Insight Holland, a nationwide Dutch partnership between residential centers for adult educational holidays. The tour includes two days in the art colony Melchers established on the North Sea as well as private visits to many of the sites he captured on canvas. Also included in the itinerary are excursions to many of the world's most famous art museums, noteworthy cathedrals and historic sites, day trips to Amsterdam and The Hague, diplomatic capital of the Netherlands, a royal palace, a national park, and quaint fishing villages as well as plenty of time for independent exploration.

The tour dates are April 24-May 5, 1998. The cost is $2,585 per person and includes intercontinental travel, double-occupancy accommodations, meals, tour guides, motor coach, museum admissions and excursions. A refundable deposit of $500 is required by Dec. 1, 1997, with the balance due on March 13, 1998. Limited space is available. Checks should be made payable to Belmont and sent to Belmont, 224 Washington St., Fredericksburg, VA 22405. For additional information and a complete itinerary, contact Joanna Catron, curator of Belmont, at (540) 654-1841.

Gari Melchers, an American-born painter active between 1882-1932, is best known for his portrayal of Dutch peasant life, portraits and American landscapes painted in an Impressionist vein. His last residence was Belmont, a 27-acre historic estate owned today by the state of Virginia and administered by Mary Washington College. The property maintains the largest repository of the artist's works anywhere and is a National and Virginia Historic Landmark open to visitors year-round.

Class Notes

Devil Notes

1929

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I'm proud to report that my granddaughter, **Allison Hall Ford** '87, after graduation from MWC, received her Ph.D. in counseling from the University of Virginia in 1996. She is currently working as a therapist at Snowden in Fredericksburg. She has aspirations of teaching at a local university in the future. My husband and I are doing well. I want to encourage members of the Class of '29 to call or write and let me know how you are.

1931

Kathryn Gallagher Spirito
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Mabel McGinniss Crismond sent a beautiful card with a note enclosed. Mabel is particularly interested in family activities and traveling. Her youngest granddaughter was recently married, and Mabel was especially happy that she was well enough to enjoy a few dances. She and her sister are members of Elderhostel and take advantage of many trips. At Thanksgiving they traveled to Hershey, Pa., to see "The Miracle of Christmas." Incidentally, Mabel and I were the only two alumni of Class of '31 at the 65th Reunion in June '96. Would you believe we were served hot dogs on the MWC Campus? I drove to the campus from New Jersey and had my dear friend, Jo Schaum, as my guest. Mabel, Jo and I had a great time together making our own ice cream cones, as all the alumni did. It was fun for us all.

Emily Reed Dawling, who was in some English and education classes with me, was delighted to have her driver's license renewed for another five years. She, her son and daughter-in-law are living together now. During Reunion '96, Jo, Emily and I met for an early supper. I have found time through the years to visit Emily at reunion weekends.

Anne Ratcliffe Webb sent a much welcomed card and a very informative letter. It is most unusual to hear from a '31 alumna who is so busy with various organizations in which she is not only an active member, but also holds office. She has remained active as a corresponding secretary for the Daughters of the American Revolution; she is also involved in the League of Women Voters, the Salvation Army, and the Soroptimist Club of Alexandria. She misses her frequent travels to Europe, and longs to return to Vienna, Austria, one of her favorite countries, where she lived for many years.

Mae Brann Musgrove writes that she visited her daughter, Ruby, in Denver in June for three weeks. She had a wonderful time, also visiting friends in Santa Fe. She is still living at her farm, keeping busy with traveling to visit family and friends. She says hello to all '31 classmates.

Sarah Burton Nottingham is happy to share that her granddaughter, **Elizabeth Ferguson** '95, had the same room in Willard Hall that Sarah stayed in. Elizabeth has made her grandma very proud by continuing her studies in graduate school at Old Dominion U. Sarah also has a grandson graduating in May from Virginia Military Institute. He has studied in Ecuador and aspires to be a foreign ambassador. Sarah continues to play bridge and goes fishing with her husband, John.

During summer 1996, I received a letter from **Lynn Kennealy** Esq. '83. She read the '31 column in *MWC TODAY* and decided to write and tell me that she, too, lives in Wall, N.J. Lynn is a prominent attorney in Monmouth County. She and I met and enjoyed one another's stories of the MWC years. There was only a gap in time!

Last August, I decided to take my 10th trip to Europe. My choice was Ireland. I stayed in Dublin, made day trips from there and was convinced that the song, "A little bit of heaven fell from out the sky one day" was true. It is a naturally magnificent country. I found it a most blissful experience, again. In October, I decided on trip number 11 to Europe. This time I chose again to stay at London's, if not all England's, famous Berkeley Knightsbridge Hotel in Knightsbridge. I took day trips from London each day. Great city, that London!

By the time your read these notes, I shall have had my 87th birthday. Please write to your class agent '31. We are few in number now and news is sparse. Love to each of you.

1933

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Greetings! Thanks for your beautiful cards and interesting notes. I believe 1996 was a good year for most of us. I trust and pray 1997 will treat us kindly.

Ava Smith's card was the first received this year. She is on the waiting list at a retirement home in Kingsport, Tenn.

It is hard to catch **Ethel Turner Horner** at home. We had an interesting phone visit. Ethel keeps in touch with **Marie Finney Pennewell**, who lives in Manteo, N.C.

Alice Mae Brown Walden stays busy with her family and other activities in her retirement home in S.C. She comes to Virginia in September each year and finds time for a visit with her roommate, **Virginia Sale Broaddus**.

I wish I could send the notes that **Mary Tarpley** and **Josephine Matz Wells** wrote. Both related interesting experiences from previous reunions. Josephine enclosed a poem she had written.

Can you imagine **Alma "Murk" Murchison** leading a "do as you please life"? Murk enclosed a sheet with 16 words-not-yet-in-the-dictionary. Quite interesting! I'll enclose a copy with your card this Christmas. **Joan Brickhouse Beall** described all of us when she wrote, "I'm still chugging along, but at a slower pace."

I was not home when **Lois Cornwell Draper** called, but she and George had a nice chat. **Ann Bryant Arritt** still enjoys her home and is fairly active. She heard from **Julia Lee Boston Bartha** during the holidays.

Martha Moore Edwards had a stay in the hospital in August, but is fine now. Her twin, Mary, has recovered nicely from a stroke. Martha stays on the go visiting her four sons and being active in her community, Buchanan, Va.

I had a brief chat with **Olie Mae Hope** recently. She is living with her niece in Montpelier, Va., and is enjoying the three small children in the family.

Dorothy Tucker Marks had a good year just staying home and enjoying beautiful Alta Vista.

MWC has 42 members of our class listed in their computer. I believe I've been the class agent for 14 years. Thanks for your friendship and help. Keep in touch! Love to you all.

1935

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1937

Elizabeth Haley Glass
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Margaret Tyson VanAuken sent an interesting letter just before the deadline. So, the last shall be first! She is a retired principal of Hugh Mercer Elementary School in Fredericksburg and will soon be a seasoned traveler, having visited Israel and Greece, with England, Scotland and Ireland planned for this year. She lost her husband, Charles, five years ago but stays busy with volunteer work at the hospital, church work and civic organizations.

Lucy Lee Pierson Welsh says, "At 81 I drove to the Albany-Schenectady area of New York as well as into Vermont to visit family and friends. I have done this every year since moving back to Virginia in '79. My big adventure was a visit to the Holy Land in November. I went on a Pilgrimage with a group from my church. It was a wonderful experience, and I will relive those 10 days the rest of my life. Just wish that I had gone when I was younger — lots of walking and steps for an old lady."

I had a long letter from **Lucy Fleet Head Saunders Trimm**. That's the way she signed her letter! She has survived the trauma of a sudden operation and has made a remarkable recovery. That's our girl, Lucy! Last December, she was given a big party for her 80th — over 100 friends attended.

A lovely letter came from **Mary Kline Johnson** '67, daughter of our own **Ann Lipscomb Kline**, who served us well as president of our student body. Mary writes, "This is to let you know that my mom, Ann Lipscomb Kline, died in May 1996. Mom was always a big supporter of MWC and I believe went to several of your reunions. Mom was an Alzheimer's victim,

so her last couple of years were pretty tough. She lived in the Arlington/Falls Church area most of her life and was active in her church, volunteered at the senior center playing the piano for years, loved her bridge groups and had many good friends. I had to bring her to Virginia Beach about two years ago, as she was unable to perform many of her daily functions. But until then, she was very independent and giving." We extend our sympathy to Mary and to the family.

Dorothy "Dot" Bevard Owen has moved to Cedarfield, a retirement complex in Richmond. My life-long friend and roomie for two years at MWC, **Virginia "Ginia" Richardson Parker** also moved to Cedarfield with her husband, Edward, and they both are very happy there.

Frances Sherman Spencer sent a lovely card telling of her annual trip to Mission, Texas, with husband Clarence; a trip to Boston to visit their son; and said how much they enjoyed a Spencer family reunion in July '96.

Do any of you read the data concerning the donations of the Class of '37 to the MWC annual fund? Our percentage of givers is in the top bracket, and I am so proud, as we all remember well our lean years on "the hill."

As usual, **Alice Dew Hallberg**'s note reflects her positive attitude. She enjoys living at the Rappahannock Westminster Canterbury. She attended the Fabergé exhibit at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts with friends and also enjoyed the Tasha Tudor exhibit in Colonial Williamsburg.

I was so delighted to hear from **Alma Potter Howard**. She wrote at Christmas that she wants to come to the reunion. Maybe some other of you Carolina girls could get together with Alma.

Sarah Lanford Yancey-Thomas says that she is still at home in Arvonia, Va., where she has lived for 40 years! She has had cataracts removed from both eyes. **Abbie Bourke Reid** and husband Numa spent the Christmas holidays in South Carolina with their daughter. **Lucile Holloway Booker** has been membership chairman of the Northern Neck Historical Society for 15 years. She says that she has no complaints. **Mary Woolfolk Bleva** lives in Fredericksburg. She enjoys bowling, playing cards, and meeting with her friends for lunch.

Doris Mills Haven lives in Yorktown, Va. She has retired from both public and private school teaching, and her husband retired from the College of William and Mary. They both enjoy traveling now.

Frances Kirkwood is moving from White Stone, Va., to the Warrenton, Va., area to be nearer to family.

1939

Nancy Herr Fallen
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Greetings to each of you and many thanks to those who wrote, called or responded to my calls. Otherwise, no one would know that we are still an interesting and interested class of MWC alumni.

In 1938-39, most of us who lived on the second floor of Mary Ball Hall had a favorite boy friend. **Elizabeth Evans Berry** married her Richard and settled down to raise two daughters. My conversation with her was the first in 57½ years, but it was just as if we had seen each other yesterday. She and Richard live in St. Louis. They usually spend February and March in Florida. She and Richard travel — at one time in a motor home, but that became too much, so now they stay in motels. They play bridge, often with the daughter and her husband who live nearby. The other daughter lives in Washington state. It was a joy talking with Lib.

Marian Timberlake Yobs and **Arcelle Coulbourn Collier** attended their 61st high-school reunion last year. They were graduated from King William High School in 1935, and have kept in touch through the years. Marian has an unusual request of our class, who knew or have remembrances of **Virginia Anderson Jackson**. Her daughter is preparing to write a biography of her mother as a memorial. She needs to hear from Virginia's college friends. Please send your remembrances to: Mrs. Linda Daklin, 4957 Westfield Road, Columbia, N.C. 29206-1544. Any information about Virginia's life at MWC will be greatly appreciated.

Doris Stagg Pruden wrote that she enjoys her extended family. You may recall that Doris and her husband raised 12 boys who could not live at home for one reason or another. As those boys became fathers, Doris enjoyed their children as we have our grandchildren. Now those children are giving her the joy of great-grandchildren. She said she feels blessed, but I am sure she has blessed the lives of each child she raised.

At Christmas time, **Elizabeth Wilson** reported the perennial problem we all face — trying to catch up. **Louise Harris Massie** was busy preparing gifts for elderly shut-ins. Quintus, her husband, welcomed the winter months for genealogy research. He gets requests from all over the U.S. **Elizabeth "Bid" Bodwell Bourne** traveled with friends to Kill Devil Hill, N.C., several times during the fall. **Virginia Cooley Stoner** expected her whole family for Christmas. Both of her college-age grandchildren attend the College of William and Mary. She is looking forward to her grandson's wedding in September.

George and **Miriam Boyer Parsons** recently organized the Virginia Society of Sun City, Fla., and met people who knew people with whom George or Miriam attended school, back when. Imagine finding people in Florida with an eastern Virginia accent. Miriam planned cataract surgery in January.

Almost every week, I play bridge with **Virginia Henderson McCann** '43, who lives here in Willow Oaks. She was vice president of her freshman class during our senior year. I also play with **Dorothy "Dickie" Felts Mills** '41, who is frequently my duplicate opponent. We share remembrances of MWC, especially of Mrs. Bushnell.

I must have complained more than I want because most of my mail referred to my long and painful bout with arthritis. It was bad, but in many ways my health has improved remarkably, so life is much better, and I am grateful.

1941

Meliscent Graeff Smith
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Jamie Redwood Witzel visited her daughter in Tacoma, Wash., for Christmas. Jamie and her husband will celebrate their golden anniversary in April.

Rhea James Dodge has moved to a lovely hermitage in Onancock, Va. She's very happy there, surrounded by friends.

The Internet has become **Marguerite Jennings Helbush**'s substitute for real travel. With it, she is able to travel the world over.

Virginia Burnett Wallace waited a long time to write. But when a letter finally came, she told us: "I was married twice, I have two boys and one girl. I taught business classes in high school for four years; and during free period, ballroom dancing." She is now retired from Blue Cross/Blue Shield after 22 years. She plays a lot of bridge and enjoys many kinds of crafts.

Lenore Magill Grimwood has attended many functions at the Sundome and is still taking an exercise class three times a week. Her Christian Women's Club activities keep her busy, but, most exciting, she has taken a computer class and is trying to learn about e-mail so that she can keep in touch with friends and family.

Eva Catafygiotu Topping keeps very busy with research and writing. She was quoted in several papers in their articles on the Greek Orthodox Church. She says, "My writings are referred to by writers from England to Australia, always adding to hopes of immortality." Her next project is a volume reprinting articles on Byzantine hymnography.

June Stoll Artunkal has announced the birth of a grandson, Tahsin, in England, where her son, Ali, and his wife live. June's husband is not well but has continued to practice medicine part time. Her life is very busy.

Myra McCormick Cole lives in Temple, Texas, where her husband is on the board of Temple College. She had a fine visit with **Jane McCorkindale Christenbury** when she made her annual trip to Virginia. She has two daughters, four grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Betty Johnson Studebaker has been in the process of moving from her big home to a smaller house — all on one floor. Last spring she attended her grandson's graduation at MWC. Jarrett made his grandmother very proud, for he graduated summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa and with other honors. His brother came home from China for Christmas. He and his wife have had some great experiences there. Betty's fifth grandchild was born in December.

Arabelle Laws Arrington is pleased that her husband, Walter, has recovered very well from open heart surgery. Her niece has completed law school and has received wonderful job offers.

Jane Rocap Lewis writes that she has a son, a daughter and three grandchildren. After her first husband died, she married Alton Lewis, who has four children, so they have many places to visit. They enjoy golf, bridge and travel.

Addie Lee Barrett Penman and roommates **Virginia Gilmer Crumpler**, **Jane Cornwell Spires**, and **Elva Reynolds Elgar** have gotten together once a year at their various homes. Since Virginia has passed away, **Jane Jones** has joined them. They hope to visit Elva in Mount Pleasant, Iowa, in the fall.

This has been an especially good year for letters. Do keep it up.

1943

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From Hilda:

I heard from a lot of people at Christmas, including **Peggy Moran Logan** and **Isabel Martin Wermeyer**. I called **Audrey Donaldson Davis** in Sterling; she's doing well. I also called **Daphne Crump Rudilosso**, but I haven't heard back. Her mother is over 100 years old!

Charlotte Grigg Watkins was here for the weekend from Emporia, and we went to see **Bertha Dickinson Taylor** in Newport News. I talk to **Dorabelle Forrest Taylor** on the phone and play bridge with **Natalie Moore Spears**, who attended MWC for one year. She now lives in Newport News. I also received a lovely letter

from **Beatrice Draper Atkinson**, who lives in Severna Park, Md. She spends her time cruising around the world. She has two cruises planned for this year. I envy her, but medical problems keep me close to home. We will be going to Punta Gorda, Fla., for a week in February. My bad news is that **Jean Hopkins Stetson** died. She lived in Fairfax and was the widow of William Stetson, who graduated from the Naval Academy and died some years ago.

From Frances:

News from Christmas cards: **Evelyn Sheads Appleton** wrote that they were building a house in the mountains in Newland, N.C., and expected to move in April or May 1997. Her son and family live nearby, and they both have a view of Grandfather Mountain, which is near Blowing Rock and Boone. She and her senior roommate, **Marjorie Storms Reddoch** '45, have dinner together occasionally in Florida. Evelyn is looking forward to our 55th Reunion in 1998.

From **Barbara Greve Carver** came the sad news that she lost her husband, Gordon, after 53 years of marriage. She has a lot of fond memories. Barb, we send our belated condolences. Barbara goes on to say, "My mother at 107 years old is still very sharp mentally, but doesn't like being confined to a wheelchair. She was playing golf well into her 90s and misses it."

I'm sorry to tell you that **Kitty Pinner Grinstead** wrote that she had two bladder operations, and that the surgeon had to remove it completely to keep the cancer from spreading.

Ruth Henriques Johnson and Sam went on a Friendship Force exchange to Germany for two weeks in spring '96. They also spent a week "breezing through Scandinavia — too short a visit there." She sent news that **Peggy Draper Eckenrode** lost her husband in 1995 from a heart attack; she lives in Australia. We send our belated deepest sympathy to all our widows.

Virginia Johnson Kisner had her two daughters and sons-in-law fly in from California for Christmas '96. They all went to her son, Kirk's, home for Christmas eve and Christmas day. Virginia and Frank "took a five-day trip around West Virginia" for their third anniversary.

Peg Moran Logan and Dick should team up with Charles Kuralt to be "on the road again." They saw all eight children in 1996 at various family functions. They even managed to go through the only state they had missed in all their travels — North Dakota. They covered the country from California to Vermont via Denver, Phoenix, Sault Ste. Marie, by the locks into Canada and on to Lake Champlain.

I look forward to **Margaret "Migit" Gardner Snyder**'s card each year to see how many Christmas concerts, choruses, and choirs she is singing with that year. She has had a good year with no health problems, which is great at our age. She had her annual trip to Interlochen, Mich., to see and hear the wonderful young musicians. She has also been on the board of the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.

Betty Rogers Zylewitz stayed home in Redmond, Ore., for the holidays, and kept busy and out of mischief.

The big news in Raleigh in '96 was Hurricane Fran — and I do *not* plan to change my name. The city looked like a war zone. We lost thousands of our oaks, dogwoods and other trees. We were blessed that the six 40- to 45-year-old trees we lost didn't hit our house. There was terrific damage to many homes, but fortunately only one person was killed. We had crews in town from everywhere cleaning up from September to February.

I had double knee replacements in February '96 and got along beautifully. Physical therapy is essential to recuperation. I want to thank Virginia Johnson Kisner and **Flora Copenhaver Scott** for their thoughtful notes. I really intended to answer them. My apologies!

1945

Virginia Gunn Blanton
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Lura Korth Gillis, originally from the Fredericksburg area, now lives in Clearwater, Fla., where she enjoys retirement with her husband of 51 years, a blind date at the Naval Academy. Her teaching career involved many levels of vocational home economics.

Lillian King Everett has retired from teaching and is traveling around the United States as well as visiting the Caribbean, Panama Canal, Nova Scotia, plus more. She received an award in 1982 as the Chesapeake Teacher of the Year.

Betty Jones Cockrell resides in Burgess, Va., where she serves as an executive with Tiffany Yachts. Her husband is chairman of the board. Naturally, boating is her favorite hobby!

Elizabeth Griggs Lampman, who lives in Westal, N.Y., teaches art and enjoys gardening, traveling, opera, dance and theater. She was a part of the Martha Graham, Larry Adler and Paul Draper dance groups. Her son, Montgomery, is a major general.

Jane Downs Long and her husband, William, have moved to Huntington, W.Va., where they are enjoying their family and their retirement.

Anita Devers Pritchett and her dentist husband, who passed away in 1992, have three daughters: Jonita is an attorney, Jane an accountant, and Judith, a nurse. She remembers her MWC friends with nostalgia.

Duane Curtis Harrell enjoys her grandchildren, and is serving as president of the Greensville Historical Society. She has served as her church's organist for over 25 years in Emporia, Va.

Virginia Lipsey Brooks attended MWC from 1941-43, and graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1945. Traveling and boating are her hobbies.

Mary Powell Lewis received her Doctor of Medicine degree from the U. of Tennessee in 1949 and is now a semi-retired orthopedic surgeon. When she received her board certification in orthopedic surgery in 1963, she was the 13th woman in the country to do so. Her recollection of gym class, where we pretended to be rag dolls to get our spines to relax, brings chuckles. The course was called Body Balance, and the method worked so well that we fell asleep. Dr. Hugo Iltis, a refugee from Czechoslovakia and a leading expert on Mendel, inspired her as a wonderful lecturer in biology. She credits him with preparing her for the entrance exams for the Medical College of Virginia.

Marie Buchanan Parks, who hails from Richmond and is a former suitemate of mine, resides in Harriman, Tenn., where she and Charles spend their time running a farm and raising cattle. They have two daughters and six grandchildren. Church activities, reading and travel occupy her time.

Barbara Brittain Whittaker is retired from the California Highway Patrol, and her husband, Walter, is retired from the U.S. Army and from Pacific Telephone. Travel is their favorite pastime. In fact, they celebrated their 50th anniversary with a trip to Alaska in June 1995. Church work, music and working with the computer occupy her time.

Elizabeth Cook Schlichting lives in Kent, Ohio, but her basketball favorites are U.Va., Duke and UNC. Her four children all attended UNC.

Betty Sharp Seelinger and her husband enjoy traveling, golfing, fishing, reading and retirement. Their four children are scattered from Casablanca to Germany to Denver, Colo., to Rocky Mount, N.C. As of 1995, they were planning to move to North Carolina within the next year.

Jeanne Shade Bott and James are enjoying life at a retirement community, Kings Grant, in Martinsville, Va. Because of accelerating her four years to three, she graduated in 1944 instead of '45, so she says she feels as if she belongs to neither class. We still claim you as a member of our class! Volunteer work in the local hospital, day care center work and church work all occupy much of her time.

Mavis Bradder Larson, who attended 1941-43, is a retired laboratory technologist living in Proctor, Vt. She has four children, and stays busy gardening and as a nurse's aide.

Betty Blackwell Jackson enjoys fishing, gardening and traveling. Wicomico Church, Va., is her home. Betty's sister, **Lina Blackwell Vernon**, attended MWC as well as her mother, **Emelyne Trible Blackwell**. Her husband, Lewis, is deceased.

Our sincere condolences to **Christine Brauer Krausse** '45, **Elsie Brauer Lee** '46, and **Anna Brauer Oxenham** '47 on the loss of their sister, **Elisabeth Brauer Jett** '51.

This trip down Memory Lane is so much fun. So many have mentioned breakfast in Seacobeck clad in p.j.s under raincoats, consuming cream cheese and olive sandwiches in the C-Shoppe, crushing tin cans for the war effort and anxiously awaiting letters from overseas, etc. Mary Washington College provided us invaluable preparation for our adult lives. That tradition continues today. *U.S. News and World Report* ranks it as a leading institution of learning, a well-deserved accolade.

1947

Georgia Chryssikos Witt
HC 72 - Box 535A
Locust Grove, VA 22508

Greetings from your class agent. Please write or give me a call. I would like to hear from you.

1949

Anna Dulaney Lyons
9037 Grant Ave.
Manassas, VA 20110-2560

June Davis McCormick
18 Lynnbrook Road
St. Louis, MO 63131-2925

Thanks to those classmates who sent notes, letters and holiday cards to either or boffus. Before passing on our current news, we need to correct and clarify three items from the fall issue. A communications glitch caused an inaccurate naming of the bride in the recent Westbrook wedding. Each of Roland and **Irvin "Kitten" Whitlow Westbrook**'s four daughters' names begins with D: Diana, Donna, Dawn and Denise. As previously reported, Dawn married Ron Barnett in fall '95 in Richmond, and toured Hungary and Romania last spring with her production of "Zelda, The Last Flapper." That's right! However, Dawn was not, repeat *not*, again the bride in another Westbrook wedding later in the year. No, that was Denise, who wed Wayne Hotsinpiller in Florida, where they're now residing in Jacksonville. Fortunately, both brides thought the mix-up was funny! In rounding out the family news, Roland's annual letter revealed that Diana was named 1996 Volunteer of the Year by her IABC chapter; Donna completed her bachelor's degree in business administration,

summa cum laude, from VCU while working a full-time job; and Roland, Kitten's widower, continues his devotion to hospice, prison ministry and senior activities in his church. Surely, Kitten smiles upon them all.

A second communications gap resulted in our reporting that Dan, eldest son of **Sarah-Kathryn Hayter Helton,** had been named captain of the Virginia Highway Patrol in Wytheville. Instead, Dan is the new *chaplain* of that division. As Sarah-Kathryn usually writes of looking forward to having her entire family of four sons, their wives and children home for the holidays, we know their presence brought her much comfort when she lost her dear mother, 94, the day after Christmas. Mrs. Hayter had lived with Sarah-Kathryn for the past 10 years, which, Sarah once wrote, was a mutual blessing. How appropriate that her four grandsons served as honorary pallbearers for their grandmother. Our love and empathy to our dear classmate and her family.

The third item requiring clarification concerns our news that **Barbara Trimm Wright** had moved to reside with her two older sisters, both of whom have macular degeneration and require assistance. Macular somehow was printed as *muscular*, which is not the case. Macular degeneration is a problem of declining vision, a product of aging. Later, word came that Barbara and her ol' roomie, **Gladys Riddle Whitesides**, keep in touch by phone, especially for their respective birthdays in July and November. Gladys and Les enjoyed a bus tour along the coast of Michigan and also a group tour to Nashville, last year.

A good result of the Westbrook bridal miscue was that after their answering machines chased each other around, **Harriet Scott Brockenbrough** sat down and wrote Andi a letter with her own news. Scottie and Ben had a real adventure last July, when they visited the Ukraine and Russia. Their bags missed the Finnair flight and didn't catch up with them until four days later, when they were leaving Kiev. They spent three nights in Moscow and three in St. Petersburg. Scottie said the most exciting part of their trip was when one of the Russian passengers went berserk and had to be wrestled to the deck by six airline personnel and passengers. Scottie wrote, "Believe me, we didn't circle the Helsinki airport even once, but came straight in to find police and a medical team at the door of the plane." In spite of that episode, Scottie highly recommends the trip.

Another enthusiastic travel report came from **Anne "Miami" McCaskill Libis** and Claude, when they returned to Baltimore last July from an Elderhostel program at Denali National Park and the U. of Alaska at Fairbanks. They especially enjoyed the hiking and wildlife at Denali. Their trip was enhanced by the three-day ferry journey from Bellingham, Wash., to Haines, Alaska, where they had two days, then a two-day trip to Fairbanks via the Yukon and with an overnight hotel stay. Miami summarized their travels as fun-filled, beautiful and a real learning experience about Alaskan history, natives and gold mining.

Anne also wrote of having attended her 50th high school reunion in June '95 in, where else, Miami. Her double-classmate, **Jackie McConnell Scarborough**, also attended their reunion. Miami said she was glad she went, although she noted many changes in the city. The highlight of the event for her was visiting the old school, which now is on the National Register of Historic Places and has changed very little, except in demographics. She ended her report by saying she and Claude were off to Maine for a cool summer.

June greatly appreciated **Jackie McConnell Scarborough**'s thoughtfulness in calling her on Christmas Eve morning just to chat and wish her good holidays. Jackie said all was well with her, Les and family, although Les' mother has on-going health problems. When asked about the Olympic games at Atlanta last summer, Jackie said they had been too busy at work to attend and that the venues really were spread over many areas. Jackie and Les anticipated their usual quiet-time anniversary hideaway to which they repair right after Christmas.

A most welcome note came from **Mary Elwang Sharpley** last fall in which she wrote of a grand mini-reunion with her ol' roommates. **Leona Hall Howard** came from Gainesville, Fla., and Mike and **Jeanne Farrington Leslie** came from West Chester, Pa., to visit Mary at her Lake of the Woods home in Locust Grove, Va. Mary said Mike didn't seem to mind the three ol' roomies talking over old times and experiences. They made a sentimental journey to Mount Vernon for a day and also enjoyed riding around the lake on Mary's pontoon boat. She said they had a great visit and it was really wonderful to get together again.

Mary Lou Vollmer Cloar and her husband, Clyde, told Andi of their having been back to Virginia from South Carolina last year. Several generations of Mary Lou's family were born and lived in Manassas, and Mary Lou noted that Virginia will always be home to her. We Virginians, native born or transplanted, say *amen* to that. But Andi wishes Mary Lou would drop in on her and Keith next trip!

Andi also had a card from **Betty Purnell Logan**, who still lives in New Castle, Del., signed with only her name. With no word to the contrary, we assume and hope that she and her family are well.

Doris Norman Carter also sent a signature only card, but then surprised and delighted Andi with a follow-up newsy phone call. Doris has been busy working on her family genealogy and came across an Ann Peacock in Georgia, where Doris's forebearers lived. Sure enough, that was Andi's great-whatever grandmother and the very one for whom she was named. Small world, indeed! Doris and Sterling drove their Party Barge to California to spend the holidays with their son, Bryan, and his family and their daughter, Denise, who live at opposite ends of the state. Along their way, there and back, they planned to hit RV rallies, where they touch base again with the many friends they have made on the road.

Jean Murphy Baptist said the highlight of her year was a trip to visit her dear ol' roomie, **Virginia "Jinny" Merrill MacLeod**, and her husband, Oliver, in Wenham, Mass. Murph said Jinny had every minute planned for a solid week of good times, including a surprise Boston Pops concert and a trip to Cabbage Island in Maine for a lobster bake. She said the entire week was most memorable, and much of it was spent reminiscing about MWC years and dear friends. Murph hoped the MacLeods could join her in Martinsville this year for a planned trip to Grandfather Mountain, N.C., and the gathering of the clans, for which they'll don their respective tartans. What a bonny sight that should be!

Marion "Windy" Selfe Kelly and George also gathered all their clan in Bristol, Va., for a lovely summertime weekend last year. Windy said that, with all the children and grandchildren together, it was a madhouse; but they loved every minute of it. They had a professional photographer come to capture their brood at play, and those pictures are among her most prized visual memories.

In September, Windy and George made their trip as scheduled to the Centre d'Etudes Linguistiques at Avignon for the required three weeks, lived with a French family and immersed themselves in the language, for which they'd prepared since last January. The school was small, only 35 students, but they were from all over the world. Windy said her class "had two young Japanese women, two German guys, an 80-year-old Londoner (who could run circles around the rest of us) and moi." After their three weeks of schooling, the Kellys rented a Peugeot and drove around Provence for another week. Returning home, they visited their families in Fairfax, Richmond, and Kingston, N.Y. They expected to attend an Elderhostel in Florida during early '97, but then, Marion vowed "That's it!" Oh yes, they planned to start a new class this year if they could find one that met their "disparate needs." Commenting on their travels, she added, "How's that for two old fogies?" We should be so old, we'd say.

A card from **Kate Mayo Schmidt** in Houston said that she and Bill had a good year and enjoyed their travels. In May they took a tour of the western canyons, ending with a stay in Las Vegas. Then in October, they had an extended tour/cruise of Greece and the Greek Isles.

Another unique Christmas poem, appropriately illustrated, came from **Frances "Blackie" Horn Nygood**, who added a more serious bit of news. While she and Howard were away attending a meeting, one of their 10 dogs pushed bedding against a built-in propane heater, which started a fire with a lot of smoke. Fortunately, they have an automatic alarm that rings in the firehouse seven miles away from their home and kennels in Georgetown, Del. The firemen's quick response saved the house and all their show dogs. Blackie said things were about back to normal after Thanksgiving, but the new kitchen floor would have to wait until after Christmas. Thank goodness for that alarm and the rapid response!

When **Ann Michael Sturgeon** was addressing her Christmas cards, their Blue Ridge mountain home in Elkton, Va., was blanketed by a heavy snowfall. But instead of dreaming of a white Christmas with every card she wrote, Ann and Fish were thinking ahead to spring, when they'd again be playing golf on their own private course.

A card from dear **Elva Tate Hasher** in Mechanicsville revealed that after these many years of devoted home care for her husband, Conway, his declining health problems necessitated his entering a convalescent center in Ashland last year. Elva goes to visit and take him out to lunch twice a week, and, of course, is always on call. She managed to take a brief bus tour to Branson, Mo., last spring, which, she said, was fun but a very busy schedule. For those who don't know, Branson is the Midwestern version of Las Vegas, with a variety of shows, but without the gambling, which attracts tours from everywhere and is booked months in advance.

Our faithful correspondent in Bristol, **Lucy Vance Gilmer**, enclosed her holiday letter in her card. Reading the recap of her year-long agenda, including travels, only increased our admiration for Lucy's get-up-'n'-go! Besides family visits and concerns, her involvement with her long-time V.I.C. daughters and their families continues, as do the duties on behalf of her "other classmates," those of Sullins. Lucy wrote and sent out a major mailing to them at year-end, anticipating their 50th Reunion this year. Need we remind you that after buying herself a computer, she taught herself how to us it, the hard way? She now has installed the family genealogy software and is updating all the data which she's collected for years, noting she had made more than 700 entries — and that was just for one family! Lucy also passed along news of our other classmates in Bristol, noting that **Mary Ann Godsey Little**'s husband, Bob has closed his family drug store

and retired. May you both enjoy!

From Toronto, **Corrinne "Connie" Conley Stuart** sent greetings, mentioning that she and Bonar would not be in St. Louis for Christmas, but planned to come to see their son, his wife and two baby grands in the spring. She added more news in Andi's note, saying that last summer she had done a couple TV movies, which some of us may have seen. She played Ann Jillian's mother in the CBS Movie of the Week, "The Care and Handling of Roses" and Faith Ward's mother in "Her Desperate Choice" for the Lifetime channel. She also was in a Goosebumps episode entitled "Monster Blood," which, she said, made her a hit with her grandchildren. You've always been a hit with us, Connie.

Those of us who searched in vain for **Barbara Watson Barden**'s movie, "A Christmas Dinner," will have to wait a while longer before a hoped-for national release; maybe Christmas this year. While the film needs some rework, not involving Barbara's part, it was previewed in Lancaster last December. Barbara's family members were present, and she was happy to say her performance "didn't embarrass" her children. Barbara also got rave reviews for her choreography of a production of "Twelfth Night" at F&M College and a Millersville U. presentation of the musical "Pal Joey." Barbara's daughter, Priscilla Kaufhold, did the costumes for "Pal Joey," which also drew special praise. As Barbara said, "We were an unbeatable duo." In addition to all the theater accomplishments, the truly outstanding event for the Bardens was the great success of a cochlea implant for their young grandson, James, who had meningitis at 18 months and suffered a complete loss of hearing. Through the miraculous surgical procedures developed in recent year, James has had sound restored to him. With today's training programs, eventually he will learn to hear and speak. With the encouragement of such a dedicated family, we know his will be another success story.

Andi Dulany Lyons says 1996 was the year of the guests for her and Keith, beginning last January and continuing through Christmas. For each special holiday or long weekend, they have hosted in turn all the Lyons family or all the Devening offspring, and even the original Devenings, who are former in-laws and are now regained friends. The boys, their wives and children all lead busy lives with varying talents and interests, and continue to make Andi proud of their progress. After a year of hopeful expectations, despite much appreciation and encouragement from a few of the many publishers to whom Andi submitted her wonderful Bunny poems, the consensus of most is that there is no ready market for them today. But, at least Andi developed her skills further and enjoyed her attendant accomplishments in writing. And, who knows, the adorable Bunny may yet enjoy a new day! A lovely picture enclosed with the card shows two happy, radiant faces — Andi and Keith.

After nearly 55 years of what we now know to be a killing habit, **June Davis McCormick** wants us all to know that she has been smoke-free for over a year. Her on-going challenge is to shed the resultant Goodyear blimp-like pounds!

Sad news just arrived from South Boston and from Richmond of the death of our dear classmate, **Maude Wood Hagood**, on January 11. Maude leaves her doctor husband, Warren, two daughters, one son, six grandchildren, two sisters and three brothers. The second sadness is the death of Robert W. McClintock Jr., beloved husband of our dear classmate, **Ann Patty McClintock**. Our heartfelt sympathies to the Hagood and McClintock families.

1951

Roselyn Bell Morris
907 Conway Road
Fredericksburg, VA 22405

Hope you got your valentine and our message to all of you — Remember 2001! Other than Christmas card messages, I have heard from no one. I am hoping that means everyone is just enjoying life with family and friends.

Again remember — plan for our 50th Reunion. It will be here soon.

1953

Barbara Faxon Stout
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Edinburg, VA 22824

Charlotte Benz Villalobos
3623 Mary Lane
Escondido, CA 92025

Virginia "Ginny" Poole Kinniburgh spent last Christmas in England with son Mark, wife and children. Mark is serving with the Royal Artillery at a garrison one mile from Stonehenge and just southwest of London. Her grandchildren are the only Americans in an Anglican school. Son Stuart is retiring after 20 years in the Army. He, Jill, John II and Rachel will move to Grand Haven, Mich., where Stuart will be the minister of music at Grace Church of West Ottawa. Last year, while visiting in New York, Ginny fell down a flight of stairs. With many months of nursing by John, family, and friends, Ginny mended her broken bones and returned to good health. She said their McLean house adapted so well to one-floor living that she and John have decided to retire right there. They both volunteer for the National Symphony and a local nursing home.

Naples, Fla., is now the home of **Pam Powell Wiehl**, who says she would love to hear from any classmates who might be vacationing there.

Martha Gilbert Smith wrote that she and son Derek walked around Walden Pond at Concord, Mass., and visited Henry David Thoreau's one-room house that he built to observe the pond and surroundings. She added that **Nancy Hewhall Hulburt** and husband Harry stopped for a visit on their way home to Virginia from their summer on Nantucket.

The 40th anniversary of **Nancy Corbett Roland** and husband Joe was spent in Italy, mainly in Rome and Florence. Nancy and Charlotte had lunch together when Nancy was in Southern California from Seattle.

Charlotte and Jose joined Hal and me for a trip to Ireland, the Isle of Man, and Wales. We were very fortunate with the weather and thoroughly enjoyed our travels by train and, where trains weren't available, by bus. Ireland looks more prosperous than in the late '80s, the Isle of Man was beautiful and interesting, and in lovely Wales we ended our stay in Betws-y-Coed at a charming old inn with a most magnificent chef. Hal and I also cruised out of Dover, England, to Hamburg, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Oslo, Helsinki, and St. Petersburg, where we spent many happy hours viewing favorite artists in the Hermitage and touring the lovely city. Seeing the contrast of older Russians trying to operate according to an order now gone and younger ones attempting to live in borderline chaos was both sad and hopeful. Our well-versed guide's last and quiet words to us were, "Please pray for us."

When we visited our daughter, Lida, and family over Christmas in the desert of California, we also managed a day with Charlotte, Jose, and daughter Patty and family in Escondido. What a lovely Southern California day — high winds, driving rains, and penetrating cold! No matter; we enjoyed a warm and wonderful visit around the cozy fire Jose maintained throughout the day.

Some of you are losing your "A" in communications; others have yet to strive for it. Please send news!

1955

Gretchen Hogaboom Fisher
2240 Windward Shore Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Last June I presented the General Hogaboom Award to the officer, at the Marine Corps' Command & Staff College at Quantico, who wrote the best paper on leadership. The school has attendees from all branches of the service, government, and many foreign countries. To my surprise, in the program I spotted **Ginn Poole Kinniburgh**'s '53 son, Army Major Mark Kinniburgh. In September, I had a mini-reunion luncheon on the boardwalk with Texan **Helen Rearden** '54 and **Barbara Hamilton Fraley** '53, who lives in Richmond and has a condo here at Virginia Beach.

Skip and I spent Christmas in San Diego with son Geoffrey's family. We were joined by our son, Bob, who is a photographer in New York City. Bob had a shoot for *Travel & Leisure Magazine* covering the San Diego area, so you may spot my granddaughters in an upcoming issue. Geoff's third child is due in April; and our bags are packed awaiting a call from Atlanta, where daughter Allison is about to produce her first child.

Bee Melillo Shanahan, in Northport, N.Y., wrote that she and John have joined several class members who are doing and touting the Elederhostel bit, although, Bee mused, at one, she "learned more about cement than we *ever* wanted to know!" They spent a week in Germany shopping at the Christmas markets in Munich, Salzburg, and medieval Rothenburg. She will be resting with her "Born-To-Shop" medal at their condo in Deerfield Beach, Fla., for the next four months.

Coralyn White McGeehan's nice note said that she is still doing her guided tours in Washington, D.C., and that her good friend and roommate, **Ceil Valentine Valentine** (I am *not* stuttering!) became a grandmother at last.

Jackie Whitehurst Hertz and Jim traveled to Australia, with a full week in Sydney and a drive up the northeast coast. They took in some trout fishing when they visited **Nancy Shope Armbruster** in Santa Fe. This year, they are off to China.

Phyllis Kyle Stephenson retired after 35 years with Newport News Ship Building, where she started in the steno pool and capped her career as public relations administrator and executive speech writer for the president and CEO. She also was manager of their centennial celebration. One of the highlights of her very colorful acting career in local theater was headlining with Edward Everett Horton in "The Reluctant Debutante." Coming soon will be the 100th airing of Phyllis' radio show, "Intermezzo," a delightfully witty and insightful commentary on opera. It's on public radio Thursday evenings, 90.3 for those of you in Tidewater, Va.

Phyllis reports news about her good friends and classmates: **Marbeth Schnare**, who graduated from the U. of Wisconsin, is a free-lance photographer in New York City and shoots the prestigious dance groups "Alvin Ailey" and "Dance Theater of Harlem;" **Helen LeRoux Marston**, graduate of Boston U. and now retired in Maine, had a Peace Corps stint in Morocco with her husband and is the holder of an incredible five degrees!

Dotty Booth Sanders sent a wedding photo

of handsome son Dr. Craig Sanders, OB/GYN, and his beautiful bride, Kim, who also will become a doctor this year!

1957

Jean Durham Busboso
5422 McDuffie Lane
Fairfax, VA 22030

For the first time in a long time, the mail brought a lot of news from the Class of '57. **Judy Brunner Fraser** writes that her daughter, Mary, was married last September and is living in Bowie, Md. Judy's husband, Jim, spent much of last year recovering from surgery for a torn rotator cuff and an injury caused by a circular saw. Judy says he is on the mend now.

From sunny Florida comes a letter from **Anne Howard Jones Malone,** who now is a charter boat captain in the Florida Keys and operates the *SV Hoot Mon* out of Banana Bay Resort. She also directs a sailing school and even performs weddings. Leaving MWC after her freshman year, Anne attended Goucher College, got married, had two sons, received a M.Ed. from Towson State U., and taught elementary school — all grades — before relocating in Marathon, Fla. She extends an invitation for a visit from any MWC alumni vacationing in the area.

Now some news from the North. **Sheila Liebler Brog** writes of fond memories of **Betty Ann Rhodes O'Donnell** and **Elizabeth "Libby" Field Erwin** pushing baby carriages around their Eastside neighborhood. Although Betty Ann now lives in Connecticut, she often visits with Sheila in New York, where they lunch, visit museums, and catch up. Betty Ann's oldest daughter is with Microsoft in Seattle, her youngest daughter lives in Boston and works for a bank, and her son is in medical school in California. Libby no longer lives in New York, either, but she and Sheila remain in touch. Libby visited **Betty Ann Sutherland Greer** in February '96. In her letter, Sheila spoke of looking forward to summer in the Hamptons. Sheila also extends an invitation to visit her in New York.

Barbara Craft Grantz is now back in the area and living in Virginia Beach, where her husband is the chief engineer on the Chesapeake Bridge. She, too, wrote of plans to visit family in California during the holidays.

Buz and I made our annual visit to Virginia Beach last September and had an all-too-short visit with **Joyce Bristow Wrestler**, who informed me that her daughter, Janet, now has her Ph.D. We had planned to continue our vacation to North Carolina, but Hurricane Fran caused us to change our plans. In fact, the weather in 1996, with ice and tornado damage, made quite an impact on our lives. With some friends, we drove to MWC in October for a Fredericksburg Forum program featuring Mark Russell.

I was saddened to receive a letter from Lynn Samuelson, the sister of **Sandra Diamond Buch**, reporting that Sandy died March 19, 1996, of liver cancer. Lynn writes that Sandy had a great love for MWC and would have wanted to be a part of the reunion activities.

It seems that each time I prepare this report, I have some sad news. Perhaps if you have not returned to the campus in all these many years, now may be the time to do so, for our ranks grow smaller with each passing year. Also, you, too, may be surprised at all the changes.

1959

Edna Gooch Trudeau
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New Kent, VA 23234

I give up! The years are going to fly by, whether I say anything or not! Here we go. I received a surprise phone call from **Ann Brooks Coutsoubinas**. She does this once or twice a year to give me a thrill — thanks, Ann. Anastasia, her daughter, married Jeremy Kidd in October. Gregory has almost completed his studies for paramedic school. Ann has quit teaching in her private Greek school and is now teaching fifth grade in public school #17 in Queens. In her words, it has been an eye-opener!

Lois Gaylord Allen has three grandchildren. She is looking forward to retirement in 2000.

Gloria Winslow Borden spent the summer going cross country through Chicago, Iowa and along the California coast visiting friends and relatives. Gloria took her daughter, Cynthia, to Hawaii for Thanksgiving holidays. Caroline and Mike are still located in Tennessee. Mike is working on his Ph.D. while serving as resident manager of the home of Governor John Servier. Their children love all the animals on the property. Beth and Dan are busy with their four girls. Cliff and Lynda are expecting number three in May. Gloria's school has changed to block scheduling, which does not make her happy. She does like her 12th grade English class, however.

This past year finds **Carmen Culpeper Chappell** traveling in Hungary, England, Germany and Alaska. She and John spent August in their home in Colorado. Her best news — Jennifer and Douglas are expecting in June. The baby will be born in their new residence in Raleigh, N.C **"Kitten" Swaffin Howard**, John, John Jr. and wife Ann, and children are all in Austin. John Jr. left his law practice to join Texas Governor Bush's Policy Council as director of environment and resource. Sally, Rich, and children are in Austin, too, but Rich is temporarily on assignment for Anderson Consulting in Minnesota. They are enjoying their mid-city apartment and like the twin cities a lot. Kitten and John have already visited them. Can't keep us mamas away from our children.

Marcia Phipps Ireland's son, Kent, completed his M.B.A. Marcia wrote that Kris, Greg and children are still in Northern Virginia. **Celeste Shipman Kaufman** must have a hard schedule to juggle with a condo in Vero Beach, Fla., a home in Alabama and a home in Silverthorne, Colo. Allen had some arteries reoperated on last year, but all is well, and he is back on the golf course. Julie, John and children are fine. Jeff continues to run Wall Street Deli, while Pam runs after Smylie and Connor. Tammie will complete her Ph.D. at Va. Tech. in '97. Pug ran into **Sharon Henry Schafer** and reports that all is well.

Julia Coates Littlefield spent a wonderful day in Lexington with **Mary Massey** and her husband, Jack Meirs. They had lunch together and toured Sigma Nu headquarters. Julia and Mo planned to spend Christmas with Bess, Mike and John Henry. Scott is engaged.

Barbara Gordon McNamee and Bob are taking an early retirement. They plan to settle in Williamsburg and build a home there. Lucky things! **Eleanor Markham Old** and Arthur spent 15 days in Mexico in February, and Eleanor attended the DAR convention in D.C. in April. She and Arthur also visited with Jimmy, Beth and children before they moved to Montgomery, Alabama. Eleanor and Arthur experienced two hurricanes and survived both, neither of which were any fun. Arthur is still flying and consulting, and Eleanor is still with the Welcome Wagon and the Amish House as a tour guide. They always welcome company.

Barbara Bardnt Miller wrote that she and Ralph had two very successful show seasons. They showed Final Arrangement, a yearling champion, and Cupid, another yearling champion. Barbara sees Mr. Walther's son, Russ Jr., frequently as he is a professional judge and manages shows. She also wrote that they had a tremendous fox-hunting season in early fall. In October, they went fishing in Canada, an event they look forward to each year. **Mary Massey** and Jack Meirs continue hiking. This year they toured Tuscany, the Isle of Wight, Wales, Washington, Oregon and Southwest Virginia. They planned to spend Christmas in St. John, the Virgin Islands. Mary mentioned their great visit with Julia. This year, hiking will take them out West.

Priscilla Brown Wardlaw wrote that Chris completed his M.Ed. in June, and will be headed for Japan in March. He will be teaching conversational English to children and adults in one of their Nova Intercultural Institutes. Chris adds Japanese to his Spanish and French. Rob is living and working in Hartsdale, N.Y., for a publishing firm and does a lot of traveling. Pete maintains her job at a nearby law firm and attends the Metropolitan frequently. Charlie is crazy about retirement and keeps coming up with many varied interests to keep himself occupied. **Patricia Gray Proulx** and Dan spent Christmas in London. Not too shabby! They have a blast spoiling grandson Austin and are happy to announce Pam and Mark will add number two in June. Gray is still a bachelor and still working for Jackson-Hewitt.

All the children and grandchildren showed for **Phyllis Hartleb Rowley** and Jim's anniversary. That's a grand total of 11! In July, Phyll and Jim attended the Olympics in Atlanta, and then in October checked out the original in Athens. They flew to Istanbul, took a cruise to the Dardenelles, then on the Rhodes, Crete. They spent four days in Paris to complete the finishing touch. Phil, wife Jean and children still reside in San Francisco. They all enjoy working around their home. Jay, wife Kris and son are still in Atlanta, and so are Dave and Darlene. Dave continues on the pro tour, and Phyllis and Jim continue golfing, even won the '96 mixed club championship at their country club.

Jane Tucker Broadbooks wrote that she retired in '95 as John's office manager. She has enjoyed renewing acquaintances with neighbors and friends and, of course, the most important, shopping! She and John were in England in September. After a few revolutions, John was a pro right seat driver. Jane gave John a super 60th birthday party. She also attended **Molly Bradshaw Alderson**'s 60th in Greensboro at her son's home. Thanksgiving found Jane and John at his relatives in New York. Their son, Jon, and his wife, Catherine, are in their new home in Jackson, Miss. Catherine is the publications editor for the Mississippi Association of Realtors. Jon is the assistant communications editor for the *Journal Ledger*, the state newspaper. Jane spends time these days searching in antique malls for pressed pattern glassware and vintage silver pieces. She already has collected some very unique silver goblets. John looks for serigraphs. Also, there's a new resident in the Broadbrooks household — Morgan, the dog, who as we all know will soon be the real person in charge!

Irene Piscopo Rodgers and Don had their usual wonderful year. Don did find out in January '95 that caffeine equaled chest pains. It's obvious what his #1 resolution was for that year. In February, Irene took her annual ski trip with friends, this time to Taos, N.M. "It was fantastic," she said. Business takes Irene all over the States. From May on, she was involved with many family celebrations plus a visit from **Ann Watkins Steves** and Bob and a visit from **Nancy Brewer McCarthy,** who likes to jet to London. In October, Don had cataract surgery. Irene and

Don had a one-week cruise from Mexico through the Panama Canal and to several Caribbean Islands, and then one to Puerto Rico. Irene sends word that **Joyce Kirby Erlandsen** is a grandmother

Virginia graduated and stayed in Charlottesville to take a six weeks business course at the McIntyre School of Commerce, and then brought several tons of furniture and clothes to distribute around the house for a few months. She moved into an apartment in January, while she temps and looks for the best job. What a shock! Guess we walked right into them 35 years ago. It's even hard to find a teaching job these days. Guess I'll keep mine for a few more years. I lost my sweet daddy in September; I've never felt so empty.

Take Care!

1961

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Attention '61ers! It's been suggested that we explain how we have divided the class agent's job. Lloyd is the Reunion Coordinator, Lynne will do the reunion booklet for our 40th, and if you have news for the *MWC TODAY* column, send it to Ann, who writes our column. That does not mean, however, that if you write or talk to Lloyd or Lynne, that they won't share with Ann. If you have contact with other classmates, let us know what you know. Here's how to do it: Christmas cards: A beautiful wedding photo in the lush green of a Chicago suburb accompanied **Barbara Steen Paulman**'s card. She was off to London in February, while Paul's on business in Cairo, to visit newly married daughter, Julia, an instructor at London Literary College. A picture of **Peggy Howard Hodgkins**' remodeled Maine lake house made one say, "Wow!" Peggy says that her bout with shingles left some numbness, and she is much happier now without the printing business worries. She loves having the time to cuddle her precious grandchildren, including little David, who continues to battle many medical problems. **Pepper Jacobs Germer** and Hank put on a huge celebration in Richmond for her mom's 85th, her dad's 90th and their 65th anniversary. Pepper has joined Hank in his grocery store commercials, and they are now on billboards in their native Arkansas. Wouldn't it be a treat to see Pepper on a billboard? Looking terrific, **Carolyn Crum Pannu** keeps in shape with aerobic dancing and teaching writing and English in the San Francisco area. Bill and **Ellen Gotwalt Willing** travel all over the States playing golf and enjoying retirement.

Shared Christmas cards: **Lynn McCarthy** photocopied hers and sent them in an envelope — get the idea? From Lynn: A note from Charlotte, N.C., from Stuart and **Sylvia McJilton Woodcock** told of their daughter's beautiful wedding in Williamsburg. **Graham Walker Burns** sent an amazing photo of her family. Graham loves selling real estate in Lookout Mountain, Tenn. Grant and **Nancy Wright Wright** are ready to go back after a great trip to Europe last summer, but confess they really prefer staying at home and baby-sitting their adorable granddaughter. Grant will retire this year, but Nancy plans to work one more year.

Lynn had a spectacular Alaskan trip with a bunch of her U. of Kentucky basketball fans to the Great Alaska Shootout Basketball Tournament. They watched basketball games by night and then mushed the Iditarod Trail, chased orcas and moose, and saw glaciers calve and mountains form by day. Like all of us who have been to Alaska, Lynn highly recommends a visit to that awesome, spectacular state. Sadly, Lynn lost her mother in spring 1996. We really missed Lynn at the last reunion, the first one she had not attended.

Lynn keeps in touch with **Ann Elekes Nichols** in Slippery Rock, Pa. Ann is having a rough time with cancer and the resulting chemotherapy treatments. I'm sure she would appreciate hearing from classmates.

Short notes: Several were sent last summer after the reunion. **Patsy Whitehead Towle**, enjoying Cape Cod retirement and her unbelievably busy museum/church volunteer schedule, reported that her daughter is probably going to continue to pursue her TV production career in Los Angeles. **Dee Doran Cairns** took time from her busy life teaching sixth grade and involvement in her church in Alabama to send some fun reunion pictures. Pepper sent some hilarious reunion photos, too, and I'm seriously contemplating a career in the blackmail business.

E-mail — the '90s way to make contact: Daughter D'Arcy, at IBM in N.C., and I e-mail almost daily — it's a boon for us moms with kids across the country. **Jane Riles** said in a recent note that she was off to Florida until early 1997, and then would return to San Diego to settle in and plan her summer tour to France called Paris Plus Provence. Jane's two daughters are academians also — Annelise, in Chicago, earned her Ph.D. in anthropology and Marguerite is working on a master's in nursing at NYU. **Susan Wilson Garms** e-mailed her appreciation of the reunion and seeing so many old friends. My friend, **Dodie Tyrrell** '60, is involved in a U. of San Francisco Alzheimers research project in Sacramento and sends really witty updates on her life and reassurances to everyone that most forgetfulness is normal. Whew!

A news filled e-mail from **Connie Booth Logothetis**: Andy and Connie's daughter's wedding last May at Gibson Island, Md., brought together MWCer's **Clara Sue Durden Ashley**, **Jane Riles**, **Barbie Upson Gravely**, **Bitsy Wright Coxe**, and Connie's sister, **Linkey Booth Green** '62. Clara Sue is a grandmother of two and looking forward this May to their youngest son's graduation from West Point. Barbie works at a top job in the external affairs department of DuPont, and reports that husband Martin is retired from teaching. They are both enjoying their new grandson. Bitsy, Connie's sophomore roommate, is currently working with the specialized tours — like walking tours — travel field in Phoenix, Md. Bitsy finished her undergraduate at Goucher, her master's at Johns Hopkins, and worked with arts and antiques before switching to travel. She has two sons.

Last November, Connie attended Clara Sue's son's wedding in Charleston, S.C., where she enjoyed seeing **Denby Singley Gorman**, who, Connie reports, is an "upbeat, lovely person who is as full of fun as ever." Denby has a very happy second marriage in Columbia, S.C., with a large combined family of five children and several grandchildren. Unable to make the wedding from Atlanta were Frank and **Jean Ryan Farrell,** who were hosting priests and other members of a mission school from Honduras, where their son had spent nine months teaching. Jean and Frank are still reveling in the glow of the Olympics in Atlanta "...like a dream that we didn't want to end."

Connie heard from **Sandee Judkins Armitage** and **Eleanor Knight Jensen**. Sandee left MWC after our sophomore year to return to Germany, where she met husband Bob. He recently retired from teaching and they moved from Connecticut to Peoria, Ariz. They have three married daughters and two grandchildren. Cliff and Eleanor live in Connecticut, where both work for Union Carbide. They were off to Anguilla for the holidays.

Connie sent reunion photos, too, and a beautiful wedding picture on the rocky Maryland shore. She is concentrating on healing Andy's foot, which has needed several surgeries, so he can dance it up at our 40th.

Long letters: A heart-wrenching letter from **Ruth Aylor Lillard** last summer revealed that her farm in Madison County, Va., was hit by flash floods and mountain slides in June 1995, washing their home 35 feet off its foundation with her and part of her family in it. She barely escaped from her kitchen as it came crashing down. She is also the postmaster of Graves Mill and lost her building. She has been running the post office from a local church since then. Ruth said she and her husband have recovered, rebuilt, replanted and feel very blessed by the outpouring of love and help from friends and family, which includes three married children and eight grandchildren.

Ruth's letter came three days before Hurricane Fran devastated that same area with torrential rains and floods, but she wrote again to say they were lucky that time to suffer only minor flood damage. In her second note, Ruth wrote that she sees **Carol Mitchell McHale**, who lives in Madison County and teaches high school English. Ruth also keeps in touch with **Joyce Sweet Longest**, who has retired from teaching in Richmond and is enjoying traveling, and **Ellen Johnson Skapares** in Vienna, Va., whose husband, Joe, is a dentist.

Phone calls — we all know how to do this: From N.Y.C., Sandy and **Lynne Williams Neave** are thrilled to have a first grandchild named after Sandy (Alexander), and are looking forward to number three son's wedding in August. Dick and I were anticipating a visit from the Neaves to Southern California in February.

Sarah Leigh Kinberg, in Stockton, Calif., says she spends more time in the air than on the ground between trips back and forth to Alaska, The East Coast and home. However, she and Tom tried to make it up last summer by driving 9,000 miles through Canada and back to California through the Southern U.S. She claims to have developed a permanent "Ahhhhh." Along the way, they visited with Bob and **Sylvia Garland Wickwire**. Sylvia enjoys a successful psychotherapy practice in Connecticut. Sylvia and Bob are currently considering a move to South Carolina. Also, Sarah and Tom attended a Braves playoff game with Dwight and **Sara Prosterman Brown** while traveling through Atlanta and got a big kick out of meeting their children and grandchildren. In Florida, Sarah attempted to contact **Mary Thom White Osborne**, whose husband, in Sarah's last report, was the lieutenant governor of Florida, but was unsuccessful.

Lloyd Tilton Backstrom and I always forget that we are a continent apart and talk way too long. She and Art are almost finished building that beautiful modern home overlooking the James River and hope to move in this summer. They went to Africa last September — hugged giraffes, ballooned over Masai villages and were nearly stepped on by a nocturnal elephant. Of course, Lloyd tells it so much better. Sarah Leigh Kinberg commented after reunion: "I sure can't figure out how Lloyd Tilton isn't one day older."

Dick and I are still working on our rebuilding — just a few outdoor projects left. Most of our traveling these days is going to see our son perform, taking us all over the West and making us enthusiastic Shakespeare buffs. He'll play Henry V this summer at the Utah Shakespeare Festival, a thrilling role for a serious actor.

Okay, now you know how to do it: Write, e-mail or call. Also, we have almost everyone's

addresses, so if you want to contact a classmate, contact us.

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From Linkey:

News of other classmates came in the form of Christmas cards for the most part. The earliest one came from my freshman roommate, **Mary A. Settle Johnson**, who sent her cards in September before leaving Chapala, Mexico, to live in Nevis, West Indies, until the end of the year. Mary's husband, Bob, is a twice-retired minister who was asked to take a rectory in Nevis for a friend who was to have surgery. Mary was looking forward to living in the Caribbean, and I hope she will share her adventures with us upon her return.

Jeanne Chabot Wallis wrote that she and Wally are expecting their first grandchild in April. Wally is still flying for US AIR. **Karen Vandevanter Chapman** and I communicate regularly via e-mail. She and Kurt have moved to Westerly, R.I., and are hoping to build their own home there this year. They saw Tom and **Becky Ryan Dunkenberger** at Kurt's Navy unit reunion in Williamsburg last summer. Karen's children are both doing well in their jobs — Kirsty is now a vice-president with JP Morgan in N.Y.C.! **Linda Herrold Hansen** has had a busy year with house renovation, including the laying of a brick floor in her kitchen! MWC did prepare us for everything!

This past year has had its ups and downs for us. David's job with Amerada-Hess was outsourced last spring, so he has spent the past eight months looking for a job. We would love to relocate to the East Coast, but so far nothing has developed. I graduated from the U. Of Texas at Austin in May and had a job with Pasadena Independent School District within a couple of weeks. I am an elementary library media specialist and just love my job. My mother died in June, so my sister, **Connie Booth Logothetis** '61, and I spent time at mother's house at Gibson Island, Md., cleaning things out. David and I also spent a wonderful week in Maine with daughter Tracy and her husband, Chip.

Drop a postcard or note to Ginger or me with your news.

1965

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Many thanks to **Joanne Kanick Young, Linda Patterson Hamilton,** and **Jean Chattin Thornton** for writing in. All this news is from them. Joanne and her husband Charlie live in Brooklyn, N.Y. She is still working as head librarian at the Nightingale Bamford School, an independent girls' school in Manhattan. Husband Charlie is retired but consulting for Marsh and McLennan, an insurance brokerage firm where he worked for 27 years. Daughter Sarah is living in Chicago and working in development for the medical school of Northwestern U. (she is a graduate of the university, not the medical school). Daughter Amy is at UCLA as a graduate student working on a Ph.D. in geology. "We have lived 30 years in N.Y.C. Sometimes I find that hard to believe, but it sounds worse than the reality. We have a brownstone on a tree-lined street in Brooklyn Heights, and the kids grew up skating the streets and sledding the hills of the neighborhood. New York is a great place to raise children, contrary to popular opinion. Charlie and I have spent a lot of available time renovating two brownstones and caring for an old colonial in the Berkshires."

Mary Jane McManus Strackbein and her husband, Bill, live in Falls Church, Va. She works as a mathematics teacher in the public schools.

Sallie Galloway Gill is in Barrington Hills, Ill., with her husband, George, and they should be grandparents of number two by now, courtesy of son Kenner. Daughter Sarah is involved with her career in banking.

Bobbie Hamblet Wilkinson and husband Tom, who is with *The Washington Post*, live in Loudoun County, Va., where they have renovated a barn. Bobbie and Tom have three daughters. **Carol Hamblet Adams** is in North Attleboro, Mass., outside of Boston and has two sons and a daughter. Both Bobbie and Carol have been involved with music and performance arts in their local areas. I am fortunate to have two MWC connections at my school. **Anne Patterson MacKinnon** '71 teaches science and **Nancy Shackelford Jones** '66 is the mother of three Nightingale girls. Nancy still lived in the Richmond area, as of last summer. During the school year she was an active volunteer at the school and a knockout tennis player.

Jean Chattin Thornton lives in Akron, Ohio, and caught us up with her life since graduation. "Out of school, I moved to New York as a stewardess for four years, then Washington, D.C., after I was married, then Kansas, San Francisco, San Jose, and then to Akron, where we have lived the longest." Her husband is an FBI agent, and they have two sons and daughter. Recently, Jean went back to teaching high-school English and loves it. While in California, she frequently saw **Ann Fansler Stieler,** who has been living in Olney, Md., but moved last summer to Richmond. Jean's roommate, **Rose Kizer**, died about eight years ago from cancer. **Sandra Winn Furna** lives in Blackstone, Va. "If anyone lives near me, I hope they will call," said Jean. "Actually, I live in the township of Bath and only 20 miles from the Cleveland airport."

Linda Patterson Hamilton writes from Las Vegas. Her husband, Austin, recently celebrated his 25th year as an FBI agent. Linda is retired from full-time teaching but still substitutes at two private schools in Las Vegas, as well as doing free-lance writing after a 10-year hiatus. Their oldest son, Wade, was married in January '96. Middle son, Louis, works in a gourmet restaurant on the Strip in Las Vegas, and youngest son, Jeff, is a junior at college majoring in journalism. Jeff spent last summer participating in an intervarsity missionary project in India. Linda's sister, **Liz Patterson Vawter** '72, still lives near Atlanta and enjoyed having house guests during the Olympics. Liz and Don have three teen-agers and stay busy keeping up with them.

George and I still live in Richmond and are still doing the same things. George is chairman of engineering and applied science at J. Sargeant Reynolds. I'm director of publications and public relations at St. Christopher's and teach public speaking at the U. of Richmond. Son Jim, was married on New Year's Eve '96 in Raleigh, N.C. Rob is a senior in civil and environmental engineering at Duke, where he was recently initiated into Phi Beta Kappa (obviously takes after his father), and Beth is a senior at St. Catherine's in Richmond.

Keep the news coming!

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In July I received a phone call from **Molly Cox**. She said that she had been out of touch with MWC since graduation and had just received an *MWC TODAY* magazine, which prompted her call. She is teaching chemistry and geology in a private school in Roanoke, has two daughters and a grandson.

I received my usual Christmas card greetings from **MaryLou Murphey Lee** and **Mary Mac Blanchard Harris**. MaryLou's daughter composed a wonderful family newsletter. MaryLou's youngest son, Stuart, graduated from high school and is now attending N.C. State U. Middle sibling, Greg, is in his second year at U.Va. Mary Katherine graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill and is working in Winston-Salem for now. MaryLou is working at The Trinity Center as their business manager and is also aspiring to become a life master in the game of bridge (brings back memories, doesn't it?). I'm told she also stays busy with church, book club, and exercise class. A trip is planned to Provence in the spring. Mary Mac wrote that she and Craig have become adopted Hokies, since son Sam is in the business school there. Mary Mac is in her 10th year at the Virginia legislature as a legislative assistant to a delegate.

I also received a card and a call from **Linda Good Kiniry,** who is in Richmond and keeping busy with friends and family. I've seen **Jean Johnson Cashion** in Bedford several times over the past few months. Jean's mother passed away in December, so I saw her then and again at Christmas.

Many thanks to those of you who have written or called over the past five years. I know we all like to hear news of friends from MWC, and we can do that by keeping in touch with each other and with our class agent.

1969

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Greetings, all. As I sit here on this frigid January morning, my daughter is in Micronesia studying and diving, my son is in Vermont studying and skiing, my husband will soon be in India on business, and the only trip I'm taking is to my sewing room to design costumes for a high school production of "Once Upon a Mattress." What a vicarious life I lead!

Iris Harrell sent news in July and a clipping from *San Francisco Business Times* honoring her for being their 1996 woman entrepreneur of the year — congratulations, Iris! She wrote a nice note praising her MWC education: "I think that...a liberal arts education at Mary Washington is good training for entrepreneurship." Iris owns Harrell Remodeling Inc. in Menlo Park, Calif.

Speaking of awards, **Ellen Smith Hook** was awarded the visiting scholar fellowship from Texas Instruments Inc. in September. It is the first national fellowship of its kind awarded to a mathematics teacher. Ellen leaves her Granby High School teaching position in Norfolk to travel the U.S. to give technology workshops to other math teachers.

Ann Witham Kilpatrick wrote last summer after returning from the Olympics and visiting her daughter and new granddaughter. She has been elected to the board of trustees for their local Westerville, Ohio, symphony and is in charge of fund-raising — she says, "Send money!" She

sent news that **Jeanine Zavrel Fearns** and her family spent part of their summer on the Outer Banks, and that Jeanine's son, Sean, is now working in D.C. She says **Suzy Bender Winterble** spent part of her summer decorating their new house, but didn't say where!

Lesley Fanning Atkinson e-mailed her news in November, which was a nice surprise. She wrote that she has been married for 26 years to hubby Dick and has three daughters. The eldest, Christine, will graduate this year from Purdue, where the middle one, Lauren, will go in the fall. After living in many Midwestern states and Washington state, Lesley and Dick have settled in Lafayette, Ind., where Lesley works in development at Purdue.

Christmas brought news from **Linda Marett Disosway**, **Barbara Marks Poppleton**, **Martha Pickard Zink**, and **Betty Ferguson Foster**. Linda had a busy Olympic summer, since she lives just outside Atlanta in Marietta, at least for now. This may be the year they build on some land they own on a golf course and lake 75 miles east of Atlanta. The oldest of their three daughters graduated college and is working in Ft. Worth. Linda is singing and enjoying her book club and traveling. Hubby John is a pilot for Delta. Barbara, in Pittsburgh, had quite an eventful spring and summer last year — both her college athlete sons developed fairly serious illnesses, but they're doing fine now. Her daughter is a nurse in Ann Arbor. Barb and hubby Don have been traveling a bit, mostly to the boys' games, and got in some skiing. Martha keeps busy traveling — did some white-water rafting in Canada last summer, and visited her sons. She is active in garden club activities and continues her painting. Betty e-mailed her news: Her girls spent a good part of the summer in Europe, and her older one may relocate there for a while when she graduates from Wake Forest in May. Betty and hubby Charlie travel a lot, also, and Betty has just taken over running the Medical College of Virginia gift shop. She saw **Bonnie Page Hoopengardner** in November. Bonnie's son, Andy, is a senior at Duke in the Army ROTC program; and hubby Roger had to have hip replacement surgery in November, but is recovering nicely.

Once again, I have some bad news, too. **Connie Cline Bukzin**'s 17-year-old son passed away last summer; he had been ill most of his life, I believe. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

I'll close with a reminder to designate your gifts to MWC to go to the Class of '69 Laura Sumner Scholarship Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

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From Karen:

Well, our 25th has come and gone, and now we should all be thinking about the upcoming millennium and, of course, our 30th Reunion. I was your alum rep for many years, then passed the baton, and now I'm back again and hope to keep us in touch with one another. The marvels of being online have certainly helped reaching out. Some catching up on my news: I am leaving my job as Inspector General of Naval Security Group, which has afforded me exotic travel to places such as Anchorage, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where I was stationed for several months as a Marine in 1978; Agana, Guam; Diego Garcia, right in the middle of the Indian Ocean and my first below the Equator trip; and even San Antonio, Texas, where I was able to have dinner with **Betty Whichard Robinson**. We had a great evening going over events of the reunion and discussing why so few came back for the 25th. Betty, at that time, had been working for a private college in San Antonio. She has since left that job after 10 years and is thinking of doing some free-lance computer training either on her own or for a company. Betty has also passed the 10-year mark for never having missed a day of running.

When I was working in the Pentagon a couple years ago, I received an urgent call to go to one of the programming offices because a woman wanted to see me. When I got there, after a moment of non-recognition both of the name on the door (I have trouble keeping married names straight) and the person, **Julie McClelland** (Spollen then) reminded me of our days as suitemates in Westmoreland. We, of course, as all professional women would do in a situation of not having seen someone you were close to for so many years, screamed, hugged, laughed and got some very quizzical looks. Julie is a senior executive civilian working programs and budget for the intelligence community.

Liz Keith Allison has been living in San Diego for many years and teaches at San Diego State. **Gail Schultz MacLeod** is also in San Diego and owns with her husband, George, a city planning consulting firm. One of their clients is the San Diego Zoological Society. They help them obtain necessary permits for exotic animal facilities. Gail is also working on publishing a magazine aimed at the relocation market entitled "San Diego's Choice Neighborhoods." This is a new endeavor for Gail.

Elaine "Cookie" Brennan still works for the Philadelphia Electric Company, but has been on a detail to EPA in Washington, D.C. When Cookie and her husband were in Fredericksburg for the reunion, they took their two daughters to their first date place — Hardees. The daughters were not impressed. Elaine heard from **Penn Bailey**, who is a successful business owner in Connecticut.

Freda Jo Lodge Bryce and I are planning to "do lunch" soon. We seem to cross paths all over D.C., and one of my resolutions for '97 is to get in contact and stay in contact with friends and not let so much time lapse. Freda is still with Global Tech. She saw **Linda Shoemaker Maxwell**, who was resident adviser in Randolph our junior/senior years. She works at James Madison U. Freda and Linda got together with **Janet Dempster Crow** for a mini-reunion and annual Christmas visit. Janet still works at VCU managing the information technology expansion.

I stay in touch with **Nanc McAllister Bishop**, who left MWC after sophomore year to graduate in a medical technology from the old MCV. She has been in Thailand for several years working for the Summer Institute of Linguistics, teaching and tracing the language of several nomadic Thai tribes and helping them to develop their written language through the translation of the Bible into their own language.

I recently returned from an inspection trip to Hawaii and was able to renew a wonderful friendship with **Anne Mize Cuseo**. She has been in Oahu, Hawaii, since 1976 and is a very successful residential real estate agent. We had dinner one evening and a great lunch on the beach in Kailua. We realized we hadn't seen each other in 23 years.

Janet Horne writes from the Eastern Shore that she had the good fortune to attend a national Endowment for the Humanities summer seminar at Princeton U. last summer. Alan Ryan, warden of New College, Oxford U., and internationally known political theorist, was the seminar's director.

Jan Hempson Floom is a private consultant and takes a tax course to keep busy. She and Marv live in Dumfries, Va., where Marv, after retiring from the Marine corps, began working for SRA.

Kathy Lewis Newbold and I exchange cards and promise to get together. Kathy is still in the Corps as a colonel. I think she, I and one other from our candidate class are still wearing a uniform. Her husband, Greg, is a brigadier general and they are both stationed at Headquarters, Marine Corps, Arlington, Va.

Keep those cards and letters coming, and pass the word!

1973

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Remember the Mary Wash Wonders column in the MWC newspaper? For years, I've wondered what became of **Chris Crawford**, our very own Mary Wash, and recently, out of the blue, I heard from Chris. She graduated from Temple U. law school in 1978 and worked for several years as an assistant district attorney in Philadelphia. She moved into corporate law and is currently general counsel, secretary, and member of the board of directors of Henkels & McCoy Inc., a firm that specializes in utility construction, design and engineering. Chris and her husband live in suburban Philadelphia. She looks forward to hearing more about her bridge-playing partners from Jefferson dorm.

Another old Jefferson dorm friend from whom I hadn't heard in years is **Kris Overstreet Helms**. Kris worked in the Prince William County school system from 1987 to 1992, has been living in Delaware for the last four years, and is teaching at the top technical high school in the state. She hopes eventually to move to Charlottesville to work on an educational specialist degree and to be closer to her family in the Lynchburg area. Kris still corresponds with **Joanne Hess Anderson** '74 and **Ruth Ellen "Peanut" Powell Mana**. Peanut lives in Chapel Hill with her husband and two children. A nurse, she now works for Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Her husband attends law school. Kris also mentioned that **Suzanne Shearer Plantamura** and her husband, Frank, live in Cary, N.C., with their two daughters. Suzanne left her medical technologist job to stay home with her children and now sells Mary Kay cosmetics part time.

1975

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1977

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Can you believe it's been *20* years? If you had a plan on graduation day, and you are where you want to be, congratulations! Many of you have achieved, or are on your way to achieving, those goals laid out so many memories ago. Then again, a lot of us have ridden the waves where they

have taken us and, hopefully, are quite happy. Here's the news:

Ingrid Kirwan Stankiewicz continues with the IRS as a computer specialist, despite constant downsizing threats. Ingrid, her husband and family of felines are living in North Ogden, Utah, in a brand new custom-designed house.

Kathleen Baldwin Geary relocated to the Washington, D.C., area upon husband John's recent promotion to captain in the Marine Corps. This past year Kathye was active at West Potomac High School, where her son and daughter attend. She chaired the PTSA parent-to-parent committee, served on the Fairfax County fine arts curriculum advisory council and the West Potomac shared governance council, and judged the science fair. She was also president of the band patrons organization. As an advisor of a Senior Girl Scout troop, she spent a week backpacking along the Appalachian Trail and is following that up with a trip to Seabase, a high-adventure camp in the Florida Keys, where scouts will become members of a schooner crew. Kathye also tutors high school math and science students and works part time in the high school guidance department.

Margaret N. Jeffries is in her 11th year in general pediatrics in Warrenton, Va., and in her own practice. Maggie was featured in the local newspaper regarding her significant contributions on an innovative project, including a new medical building to host Child Health Associates and the U. of Va. Pediatric subspecialty clinic. The site will also include a daycare facility to include sick daycare, and, hopefully, overnight observation and an acute care after-hours clinic in her office. In off hours, Maggie takes riding lessons and enjoys teaching son Jeremy, 7, her favorite sport, tennis.

Faith Lynch Johnson and her family are completing a three-year tour in Cheltenham, England. She has two children. They've taken advantage of their time there, and this year's big trips were to Germany and Turkey. Their move is scheduled for this July, but the destination is unknown.

Maria C. Diaz continues her growing medical practice in Baltimore, Md. Oldest son, Brett, led his soccer team to the championship rounds in the Catholic League in Baltimore, and second son, Kyle, has joined the Civil Air Patrol and is doing well. Maria traveled to Latin America with the Air National Guard to help with the indigents.

Mary A. Byrd continues her work in Los Angeles and Hollywood. She is looking for an agent and is crossing her fingers to be on a TV drama writing staff next season. When she wrote in January, Mary was hoping to have another *Chicago Hope* episode next season. She and husband John spent New Year's at Lake Tahoe and had a great time despite the rain. Their summer travel plans are for a trip to Italy, a place near and dear to my heart after recently living there for two years.

Linda Moyer Klinger continues raising her family with husband Dieter in Silver Spring, Maryland. A full-time mom, Linda is on the run to scouts and swim meets on a daily basis. Somewhere in between, she finds a quiet moment to dust the furniture and split atoms. Many of us know what it's like, Linda!

Terrie Young Crawley is the current president of the alumni association at MWC. She is still practicing dentistry in Fredericksburg and enjoys gardening and visiting the Chesapeake Bay with husband Bill, who is a frequent speaker at alumni chapter events, and continues his work in the history department at MWC. Terrie wrote of the continued beautification of the campus, which astounded me when I went back for our 15th Reunion, and to remind us how fortunate we all are to have attended a college that continues to pursue excellence in every facet. The campus and your classmates are something you've just got to see!

As for myself, I continue to enjoy the beauty of Coronado, Calif., and taking care of my wild and wonderful guys: Miles, 7, Ryan, 5, and Tim, husband. Last spring, we went skiing at Alta, Utah, and I got my first glimpse of Palm Springs at a Mary Kay conference; in June, I traveled to Tennessee for my older sister's second wedding and to meet the new family of seven; in September, Miles, Ryan and I went to see family in Pennsylvania and Maryland, and Tim and I had a brief but memorable weekend in Monterey, Calif., where we saw my great friend and old roommate, **Kristina Olfson** '78 and her family; in October, Tim and I had a second honeymoon in Hawaii; and in November, I visited Las Vegas, where my brother, Tom, lives. I've stayed close to home since then, as our time here is limited and we'll be on the move again this fall, most likely back to the D.C. area. Hopefully we will squeeze in a trip to the Grand Canyon before we head east. One other memorable event was an MWC regional reunion held in La Jolla in June. It was neat to see alumni from many different classes, and I found two grads who live just blocks away from me here in Coronado! We are everywhere, and it is truly special to reunite and assess our direction in life. I hope the details of life aren't weighing you down and that your dreams and goals for this year come true. Drop me a line!

1979

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From Sallie:

Mary Anne Kennedy Kane writes that she and husband Brian have lived in Houston, Denver, and now Walnut Creek, Calif. They have lived there seven years, and Brian has a position with Shell Oil. They have two children. Mary Anne retired from the career-path workforce in the late '80s and from the part-time world several years ago. She finds her days are more than full but has taken up golf anyway. At a family reunion on the Outer Banks last summer, she got together with cousins and aunt **Betty Galt Kennedy** '77.

I keep up with lacrosse teammate **Lynda Richardson** '81 through her monthly photography column in *Virginia Wildlife* magazine. Lynda is a wildlife photographer, and has been all over the world in search of the perfect shot. One of her latest expeditions was to Antarctica.

From Jean:

Sally Hart Morgan writes that she, husband John and two kids are all well. She's manager for a major project for Smyth County and working on administering several others. She got together for a mini-reunion in August with **Gayle Weinberger Petrozino**, **Lisa Carle Shields**, **Lisa Bratton Soltis** and **Nancy Quaintance Nelles** and had a wonderful time.

Barb Stone Mait notes that she's busy with mom-hood for son Alexander and has just made a switch to the planning department for research and development with Philip Morris.

Anne Hayes is a legal assistant with the law firm Maloney, Barr and Huennekens in Richmond. She traveled to England, her birthplace, last fall to visit a few relatives. She's looking forward to our 20th Reunion — only two years away — and is hoping it doesn't conflict with her annual family vacation at North Carolina beaches.

I visited old roomie **Mary McWhirt Murphy** right after Christmas. We had a great time catching up in person. We keep up via e-mail, but that's just not the same! As an experienced teacher, Mary takes on many student teachers from the College, and has worked on special projects with some of the professors there. She, husband Michael and daughter Katelyn traveled to Pennsylvania last summer.

I'm at home most of the time now, homeschooling my daughter, Emily. Anna is at an excellent pre-school for special needs kids. Husband Randy now works for Philip Morris, which makes our anti-establishment lifestyle possible. I also do consulting work — Internet training, web page design, database creation — for the workSmart Group. That ol' anthropology education comes in handy as I help translate the geeky culture of the Internet and other technologies so that regular ordinary people can understand and even benefit from their contact with that world. Hurrah for liberal arts!

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From Lori:

After graduation, **Rosemary Coleman** became a social worker, specializing in housing outreach for low income people. She changed careers to fund raising when she moved to California, where she worked for the American Diabetes Association and got hooked on doing special events. She is now the director of special events and promotions for the Washington Special Olympics. She loves her work and Seattle.

Lisa Graziose Corrin lived in London, Izmir, Turkey and New York before going to Baltimore to continue graduate work. Since 1989, she has been the curator at The Contemporary Museum, which she has helped to develop since it was founded. She has been awarded the American Association of Museums exhibition of the year award, the George Wittenborn prize for scholarship and publication design by the North American Association of Art Librarians, and she lectures and publishes internationally. Her exhibitions have been reviewed in *The New York Times* and the *London Economist*, as well as art trade journals around the world. She has curated projects that bring together contemporary art and art of the past in such museums as The Walters Art Gallery. Her collected writings on artists in museums form the basis of a Ph.D. in cultural analysis from the U. of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, which she will complete shortly. Her new book, a monograph on conceptual artist Mark Dion, will be available from Phaidon Press, London, this fall. Lisa is often referred to as a "tradition-buster" because of her somewhat irreverent and iconoclastic approach to curating. *Baltimore* magazine named her one of the 25 smartest people in the city this past fall based on her innovations. She is on the graduate faculty of Bard College Center for Curatorial Studies, an experimental program training future curators, and has been asked to propose a course and exhibition for Harvard U., where she hopes to teach a graduate seminar in

1998. Her most well-known project is called Mining the Museum, an installation by an African-American artist named Fred Wilson, who installed the permanent collection of the Maryland Historical Society from his own historical perspective. This past fall, she organized the first international contemporary art project on the Internet. Lisa would love to hear from former professors and friends.

Congratulations to Dave and **Colleen McCahill Turley** on the birth of their son, Nolan Perry. Colleen was recently promoted to account executive for Van Heusen dress shirts for the mid-Atlantic region. She sells to Hecht's, Peebles, the Navy, and Virginia JCPenney. Dave is midway through his master's program in information systems, where he is focusing on Internet/Intranet communications in the business arena.

Pam Clap is director of communications at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, Mass., and managing editor of their journal, *The Biological Bulletin*. She is still riding and has a 9-year-old thoroughbred with which she does dressage and some jumping. She went to Florida in January and had a trip to St. John in the U.S. Virgin Islands planned for late March.

Elisa Devorshak Harvey, husband Brian and sons moved in May to Silver Spring, Md. Elisa is now working at the FDA evaluating applications for new OB/GYN medical devices, ensuring their safety and effectiveness before they enter the U.S. market. She really enjoys the work but also does a little bit of veterinary practice on the side. Brian is at the FDA as well, working right down the hall in the gastrointestinal/renal section of device evaluation; and he also works at the Anne Arundel Medical Center ER in Annapolis a few times a month.

Bobbie Dwyer Leon had another busy year in Ellicott City, Md., with her family and her many volunteer activities. She is the leader of daughter Megan's girl scout troop, is on the PTA executive board at the kids' school, and teaches a religious education class.

Congratulations to **Mary Chidester Jones** and **Scott Jones** '84 on the birth of their second child, Jesse Louise. Mary teaches third grade in King George. Congratulations, also to Tom and **Robin Bedingfield Brown** on the birth of Nathanael Connor. Robin and Tom are both naval officers stationed in the D.C. area and living in Crofton, Md.

Kathy Johnson Allen has been at the U. of Washington for a little more than a year doing flow cytometry for the immunology department. Kathy and Rick fortunately did not have any damage from the recent floods in the Northwest. They enjoy Seattle, but take the time to sightsee only when they have visitors, so they welcome anyone who wants to visit. Kathy was expecting **Bobbie Ambrose,** who lives in Greenville, S.C., to pass through the area on business in January.

Audrey Komito Thomson has been busy doing the mommy/chauffeur thing for her two boys in Richmond. Husband Gordon is having a great time flying to Europe for United. **Karen Snyder Boff** and husband Jamie are expecting their third child in May.

Bernie Saunders transferred from Florida back to North Carolina with a new sales vice operations job. He was sorry to have missed our 15th Reunion, but the move disrupted his plans to attend.

Carin Carr Fernandez '80 spent the last few years working on a master's in elementary education and is now a sixth grade math and science teacher at a magnet school for technology in Tampa, Fla. She and husband Jack, a U.S. Attorney, have three children. John and **Martha Williams Locke** '80 are expecting their third child in May. **Wendy Prothro Howard** '82 and husband Jay are expecting their fourth child in April. They live in Annandale, Va. Jay is the director of development at Flint Hill School, and Wendy is working on becoming certified as a Lamaze instructor.

Sandy Wise Conran completed a master's in health sciences from the U. of Indianapolis in December through a weekend-type program for physical therapists that specialize in orthopaedics. She works one day a week and stays home with her two toddlers Monday through Friday. Over the holidays, Sandy heard from **Susan Dishman Boyd**, who lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with husband John and their two children.

In November we moved to Newport, R.I., where my husband, Craig, is a student at the Naval War College — please note my new address above. We're expecting our second baby in June. We will be moving once again after graduation in November. In the meantime, send your news to either me or Yvonne at the addresses above, or by e-mail.

From Yvonne:

Nancy Skinner Woodhouse and husband Bill now live in Virginia Beach, Va., where Nancy teaches preschool. Outside of work, Nancy stays busy chauffeuring her children to various activities.

Betsy Grove Cassebeer and husband Phil returned to Virginia two years ago after traveling all over the country doing archeological work. They now reside in Richmond, where Betsy is the lab supervisor for a cultural resources management firm. After waiting the recommended five years after treatment for breast cancer, Betsy and her husband had a baby girl, Kathryn Grace. Betsy says it's great to be back in Virginia again. She enjoys seeing many of her Westmoreland friends.

Cindy Williamson just celebrated 12 years with Gannett, where she is a newsprint manager, and 11 years in her condo. Cindy travels frequently for both business and pleasure. She and **Carol Miller** '80 recently went on a cruise in the western Caribbean, where they had a blast! She also writes that **Vicky Kay** '80, who practices dentistry in Manassas, and her husband have a 5-year-old son, Michael.

Helen Larkins Penrod married attorney David Penrod in June 1996. They live in Harrisonburg, Va. After graduation from MWC, Helen received her Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Princeton U. and started working for Merck and Co. in Elkton, Va. Currently she is a manager in a factory making Merck's new AIDS drug.

Carol Mocarski Miller and husband Russ were expecting their first baby in March. The sonogram said that it would be a girl.

The National Wildlife Federation's Wildlife Gallery of Art recently had an exhibition featuring the work of **Lynda Richardson**. Lynda is an internationally renown photographer whose work has appeared in prestigious magazines such as *Smithsonian*, *National Wildlife*, *International Wildlife* and *Nature Conservancy*. She was recently dubbed one of the top four female wildlife photographers by *Nature's Best* magazine. Congratulations, Lynda!

After graduation, I went to the U. of N.C. at Chapel Hill, where I received a Ph.D. in analytical chemistry. For the next eight years, I worked for the Dow Chemical Company. During most of that time, I was in Midland, Mich., with a one-year assignment in Strasbourg, France. In 1994 I moved to Mountain View, Calif., in the San Francisco Bay area and began working for Roche Bioscience in Palo Alto, where I supervise a small group of chemists and technicians. When I am not working, I can usually be found playing bluegrass music at one of the local coffeehouses or at a jam session.

Barbara Strickland completed a master of arts degree in national security and strategic studies at the Naval War College in Newport, R.I., in December. Her next assignment is at Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

Many of you who were at the reunion in May 1996 know that my sister, **Kathleen Walbroehl Moore** '84, was having a difficult pregnancy and was confined to bed. I have good news to report: Kathleen and husband Jim are now the proud parents of a baby girl, Rose Helen, who was born in October and joins older brother Paul. Everyone is doing fine. Kathleen and her family live in Falls Church, Va.

I want to thank everyone who sent letters and e-mail for my first contribution as class agent. Keep them coming!

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I received so many letters, e-mail messages, Christmas cards and pictures, I can't wait to share them with you. One of my former roommates, **Theresa Min Lee**, had her third son in 1996. Like me, she now knows that three boys keep her hopping. Her husband is in the dry cleaning business with her father, and Theresa is now looking for a job she can do while at home with her children.

Lisa Harris Coleman's daughter is now 2. Although Lisa's company has been bought several times, she still enjoys her job developing software to process data from one of the Earth Observing Systems (EOS) to be launched in 1998.

After graduation, **Cathy Gilbert Aldrich** worked as a paralegal in the field of telecommunications in banking for about seven years. In 1991, she received her master's in education from Marymount. In March 1992, she married John Aldrich, a vice president with Camp, Dresser and McKee, an environmental consulting firm. John's job took them to Walnut Creek, Calif., where Cathy taught third and fourth grades. In December 1994, their daughter, Beatrice, was born. Six months later they were transferred to Cleveland, John's hometown. They now live in Lakewood, about a block from Lake Erie. Cathy is an at-home mom and is thinking of doing part-time child-care.

Kathy Walters Along has been doing so well teaching jazzercise that she will be expanding her class facility soon, probably before her second child is born in April 1997. **Vicki Rudacille Davison** sent a great picture of her 5-year-old son, her husband and herself. They have been busy helping build the youth program at Limeton United Methodist Church. Vicki's husband is still working with Valley Health System as manager of computer hardware and operations in the info systems department. In between work and their farm, they added a Border collie to their family.

Estie Corey Thomas' son looks very much like his mom. Estie and Michael are continuing their home renovations. Even though the contractors blew the chimney off, repairs were made and a woodstove was installed. Michael had reserve duty in London over the summer 1996, and Estie pulled a page out of *Martha Stewart Living* by canning and preserving from her garden yield. The family is very happy that their dog, Shelby, recovered after being involved in a hit and run accident.

Becky Hobbs Shermer also e-mailed me with all her latest news. Since Becky and **Cathy Cooke** live only two minutes away from each

other in Richmond, they often get up to MWC for some reminiscing and Carl's ice cream. Last time they visited, they ran into Dr. Palmieri after dining at Sammy T's, which is still yummy according to Cathy. Another time they chatted with some students at Trinkle about how MWC was during our time as students. Becky attended Cathy's wedding in April 1996 to Michael Treger and served as matron of honor, while Becky's husband, Sam, was CD disc-jockey. Cathy says the infamous bee-hive hairdo is gone, but the General Store still stands.

Since MWC, Cathy has worked in psychology/psychiatry and behavioral genetics. She put into action a project which led to a chapter in the child psychiatry section of the DSM-IV, the Bible of psychology. Cathy is currently an evaluation specialist for the department of psychology at VCU and is working on a federally funded demonstration grant to determine the efficacy of treatment in a multigenerational treatment program. She works with crack and drug addicted mothers and assists them in obtaining treatment. Although it can be overwhelming, she likes the gratification her job brings. Unfortunately, she can see some drug deals being made within view of her office. Cathy's husband, Michael, graduated from VCU with a degree in recreation and parks management and was working for the Virginia State Park System as a chief park ranger. When they married in April 1996, he got a job in Richmond as an environmental inspector and hopes to get back into the park system. Cathy says she would love the chance to live in the woods! Cathy keeps busy with community theater, the Democratic party, community choir and a committee which studies the effects of busing. Michael loves working on the house and yard.

Becky also wrote that **Hope Martin Chenault** lives in Newark, Del., with hubby Keith and sons. Keith is a chemistry professor at U. of Delaware, and Hope uses her extraordinary musical talents at church and teaching voice.

Beth McQuarrie Hatchel is still in Richmond with her four children, who keep busy with sporting activities. Beth is also managing a bingo hall for the kids' school at night and chaperones school dances. Daughter Becca is heavy into soccer and is a goalie for her team. Beth said that **Sharon Ingram** has two children.

Monica Rastallis Cashin is a sales and marketing rep for Rehrig Pacific Co., an L.A. based company that makes environmental food and beverage containers. Although her territory is the Northeast, she often gets to Ohio and North Carolina. She's also on the board of directors for a small arts center in Newport, N.H. Husband Mark has started his own imprinted sportswear business. Killington is a frequent ski destination for them, because of proximity. Monica saw **Susie Leavitt** in N.Y.C. prior to Susie's educational venture to Italy. Monica also wrote that **Brenda Wells Crafton** had a baby boy not long after Monica had a second daughter. Brenda also has a daughter.

Verna Williams Watson and daughter Alexis visited **Mabel Royal** in North Carolina. Verna also has a son and lives in New Castle, Delaware. Mabel and fiancé bought a house in Durham.

Congratulations to **Lynn Kenneally**, who married Jeffrey McWeeney in July 1996. **Diane Hitt Frazier** and her husband, Mike, attended the nuptials. Lynn is an adjunct professor at Ocean County College while maintaining her own law practice.

I received a great letter from another of my former roommates, **Teresa Childers Peterson**. She still loves Atlanta and survived a downsizing with CIBA Vision Ophthalmics in research and development. Husband Mark is working for Honda power equipment division in marketing research. They visited Key West, attended the Olympics, camped in the Blue Ridge Mountains, Halloweened in Seattle and had Thanksgiving in Colorado. And e-mail from **Lillian Sempeles Funk** says baby #2 was due in December.

Jackie Lane Rice, our reunion booklet editor, sent some news. **Lynn Ziernicki** ran the New York City marathon. Way to go, Lynn! She and **Martha Newcombe** are members of Hash House Harriers, an international running organization. They run weekly with their respective groups in Connecticut and Northern Virginia and have also participated in runs in Washington, D.C., New York, California and Germany.

I got together recently with Martha, **Ann Clark Lockhart**, and **Martha Weber Jaffe** in Fredericksburg. With kids in tow, though, we only made it to a local playground rather than to the MWC campus. I spoke to **Kym Snead** '82 during the 1996 Christmas holidays. She lives in San Francisco and works for Wells Fargo.

I'd be happy to share e-mail addresses with you. Just pick up your keyboard or your pen! Don't forget, our 15th Reunion is coming up in 1998!

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From Charlotte:

I have been teaching several grades at the elementary school for the past 12 years. Currently, I am a fifth-grade teacher in Fairfax County. I have been married to Phil, a business teacher and a basketball coach, for almost seven years. We have no children, but we do have a beautiful greyhound named Trevor. If anyone wants a great pet, think about adopting a greyhound. Phil and I are active in our local running club. I have participated in several triathlons and biathlons and really do enjoy doing them. Phil is training for an Ironman Triathlon in Penticton, B.C., Canada, in August 1997.

Cathy "Cuff" Kunkel and hubby Chris have a beautiful daughter. They live in Annandale, and Cuff teaches first grade in Alexandria.

Lori White Wright lives in Leesburg with husband Jerry and son Jake. They are expecting twins in April. **Pat Reinhardt** said in her Christmas card that she is running a business in Cambridge, Mass., and will be getting married in September.

Monique Gormont Mobley sent a letter updating her last two years living in Argentina. Monique is married to Scott and has two children. Monique kept busy by being editor of the Lincoln School PTO and American Embassy newsletter and by developing and teaching computer courses to embassy personnel. Monique and her family were fortunate to experience life in the Buenos Aires area. They are now back in the states living in Mayport, Fla., where her husband will take command of the *USS Boone* in June.

Susan Beard moved to Greensboro, N.C., with husband Richard and son Thomas. Richard is the project manager for the Greensboro area Chamber of Commerce. Susan is a trust officer with Nations Bank private client group.

Jonathan Leib is currently living in Tallahassee, Fla., where he is a geography professor at Florida State U. He is in the process of co-editing two books on political geography, which will be published in 1997. In addition, he recently spent two years as a contributing editor and political columnist for the "Metropolitan Minority Business Enterprise Newsletter." He has traveled to Central America and Alaska.

Sidney Griffith Keith is married to Mark and has a 5-year-old son. They live in Chester, Va. Sidney works for the Department of Environmental Quality as a senior engineer in the air monitoring section. Mark's sister, **Jennifer Keith Jones** '87, had a baby boy. She and husband Dave live in Glen Allen, Va.

Carol Fleming is a financial consultant with Smith Barney Inc. in Schenectady, N.Y. **Lisa Riffey Croom** is married with two girls: Mia, 6, and Lydia, almost 4. Lisa and Ron purchased their first house in Woodstock, Virginia.

Charles Kennedy is married with two kids and has worked for FOX television for the last seven years. He does all the program and market research to see what the public thinks of the TV shows and says his drama degree from MWC has really helped his career. He says he misses Fredericksburg, but is happy to see the school thriving while maintaining its wonderful style.

Joanne Bartholomew Lamm and husband **Chris Lamm** sent a postcard to let us know that baby number three was due on New Year's Eve. They have been married for 11 years and live in south central Pennsylvania. Chris has been an employee for EDS and Joanne worked for National Archives for five years, but is now home with their three children. **Shelly L. Hooven** was graduated from Virginia Tech.'s College of Veterinary Medicine. She intends to practice medicine in a small animal hospital somewhere in Virginia — she's currently job hunting. She hopes to locate in or near her hometown, Roanoke.

1987

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1989

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From Leighann:

Wow, What a great response! It has been wonderful hearing from all of you. If you contact the alumni office, they can put you in touch with just about anyone in our class.

Mike Ausley writes that he, wife **Debra** '88 and their daughter are living in Louisville, Ky. They are expecting a second child in March. Mike is a co-pilot/instructor with United Parcel Service. He is glad to see that the rugby team is doing well.

Michael Beattie has received a master's and law degree and has a solo practice in Fairfax. He also volunteers as the director of a non-profit group that raises money for student scholarships.

Gina M. Costante has just been hired as the education coordinator for the American Association of Blood Banks in Bethesda, Md., which she is very excited about. She also reports that her summer plans include a study vacation in Dublin, Ireland. She would love to hear from anyone who knows about employment opportunities there. She also would like to extend an invitation to anyone who is interested in checking

out the Baltimore area to drop her a line.

Doug Crowe got married in September and took a 10-day scuba diving honeymoon in the Caribbean. They live in Fairfax Station. **Taylor Cantrell** and **Kevin Moran** were in the wedding.

Cheryl Woody Danielson wrote from Australia that she and husband Jeff have been busy taking in the beautiful sites, unraveling the local dialect, and mastering the art of the "barbie." They sent a very cool picture of the two of them and their cat, Creola, with four kangaroos in the background! She writes that **Rebecca Wall Arnold** is married and lives in Mechanicsville with her husband, Craig, and dog Millie. **Lisa Burnett Messner** is living in Charlotte, N.C., with her husband, Tom, and cat Phantom. **Heather Rouse Maillet**, husband Tom, and daughters are living in Baltic, Conn. Heather is working for a caterer in New York.

Angela Hepola is currently employed by the Recreational Vehicle Industry Association and lives in a condo that she purchased about four years ago in Herndon, Va. Her roommates are her two cats, Digit and Bailey. She reports that it has been quite the year for weddings. In April she attended the wedding of **Michelle George** and Bill Hobbs in Richmond. In May, she was the maid of honor at **Stacy Staruch** '88 and Jim Gahr's wedding, where she saw **Emily Schaller Reyes, Marsha Popp** and **Kelly Ward** '88. She has also been working in the theater with the Sterling Playmakers. A review in the *Eastern Loudon Times* praised Angela's performance in "Vampire-mania" as "a tiny person with a world class scream (who) does a great job in a crazed-Sharri-Lewis role."

Roberta "Robin" Boyd May is living all the way out in Colorado Springs with her husband of five years. She is a manager at The Limited and reports that although Colorado is great, she still misses Fredericksburg. She also writes that there are no human children in the picture, but she does have two four-legged kids at home!

Beth Mazza is the Unix system administrator and the Lotus notes system administrator for a company called Claritas. Beth and Lance Robertson, a U.Va. grad, are getting married in October '97. Lance went to Annandale High School and works for Discovery Communications in Bethesda, Md. Beth is a self-proclaimed big-time computer nerd. She lives in Arlington, Va., with her golden retriever, Jesse. She and Lance will continue to live in Northern Virginia after they are married. She still sees **Amy Graham** quite often. Amy graduated in May '97 with a master's in elementary education. She is teaching for a year in Delaware and plans to move back to Northern Virginia this fall. Beth was the maid of honor at **Ellen Bella**'s '88 wedding in December, and **Amy Graham** and **Tyrell Walsh Lavery** were bridesmaids. Ellen is an English, literature and history teacher at Langley School in McLean. **Susan Bradley Gray** and **Kati Dalton** attended the wedding. Kati has just moved from Arlington to N.Y.C., where she is doing public relations and marketing for the cultural division of a construction management firm. Kati earned her master's in art history from American U. last spring. **Kris Neary** '88 graduated with an M.B.A. in 1992. She relocated to Nashville, Tenn., with long-time beau Jose Ramirez. Kris and Jose were recently in D.C. for **Kerry McKeen**'s '88 wedding and spent Christmas 1996 in Spain. **Susan Bradley Gray** '88 moved to Atlanta, Ga., this summer with husband Tom and two children. Susan is working for the law firm Hunton and Williams.

Pat McAleer is a financial advisor with American Express in Richmond. He, wife Molly and daughter Abby, who was born in July, live on the North Side of Richmond in Mechanicsville.

Kim Murphy writes that since March 1994 she has been the preservation planner and housing specialist at the East Tennessee Development District, which covers 16 counties. The majority of her work involves National Register nominations, grant applications, and community planning. In 1994, she bought a 40-year-old house in Oak Ridge, Tenn. In her spare time, Kim serves on the board of directors for the Oak Ridge Community Playhouse. She writes that **Kim Hopkins Roth**, husband Chuck, daughter and son are living in Dumfries, Va. **Sherry Jeter** is married to Eric Thornburg. **Amy Angerer** is working at Antrim, a Greek Revival inn near Gettysburg, Pa. **Pat Howard McGarry** and husband David have a son, Matthew. **Madeleine Burke** frequently appears on stage in D.C. theaters.

Jaqueline "Jake" Riebling Sproul remarried in summer 1995 to the Rev. William W. Sproul. In addition to working at the Rappahannock Agency on Aging Inc. in Fredericksburg, she is in her fourth year as a ministerial student at the Institute for Spiritual Development. Her ordination is scheduled for December 1997. She adds that her oldest son is currently in his third year at the Corcoran Museum School of Art in Washington.

I still see **Page Swartz Buehren** every couple of months. Her little boy, Joe, is growing like a weed and is one of the best-humored babies I've come across in a long time! She and **Anne-Marie Turnage** '90 were at my house for a hen party the day after Christmas. Anne-Marie is finishing her doctorate in Geography from West Virginia U. this year. I was in **Robin Cunningham** '90 and **Scott Karr**'s '90 wedding last spring along with **Beth Hill** '90 and **Rangit Singh Sidhu** '90. A ton of MWC people were in attendance for their absolutely beautiful garden wedding and reception outside of Charlottesville. **Janna Fryant** and husband Brock were also at the wedding, as were **Michele McClain** and **Eileen Burke**. Michele was off to England just a few days after the wedding for an exciting new job with the Navy. Other MWC alumni currently in England include **David Voelkel** '90, who is working for the British National Trust in Bath, and **Stephanie Martin** '92, who is at school in York. Eileen is living on the Southside of Richmond and is working for an investment firm. I saw **Laura Lange Robertson** and **Charlotte Lowman Needham** at the Strawberry Hill Hunt Races in April. Laura and her husband are the proud parents of a little boy, and Charlotte has just recently married and moved to N.Y.C. with her husband.

Kristin Kelly Bashore and **Scott Bashore** '90 have lived in Reston since 1994. In February 1996, they celebrated the birth of their daughter. Kristen works part time three days a week as a coordinator of a community grants-based program for Family Health International. Scott worked for Boy Scouts of America for five years before entering the high tech field of Northern Virginia. He is currently program manager for Novadyne Computer Systems Inc.

My husband and I purchased a 55-year-old house in the Ginter Park section of Richmond in spring '96 and have been tackling a lot of do-it-yourself renovation jobs. It has been quite a challenge. I have also run into a zillion MWC people in the non-profit community in Richmond, including the forever elegant and refined **Virginia Gunn Blanton** '45; **Melissa Haines** '86; **Samantha Pillar** '91, who is the former director of the Virginia Fire and Police Museum and now is prospect research specialist for the Library of Virginia Foundation; **Bobbie Burton** and **Diane Easter,** who are both in the development department of the Richmond Symphony; and **Mary Anne Caton.** After working for seven years in the museum field, I finally made a career change to the performing arts — not too much of a leap, but a hard decision to make none the less. I am now the special events coordinator for Virginia Opera. My husband and I are expecting our own special event in April — the birth of our first child, and according to the doctors, a boy. Please keep in touch!

1991

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This is my first report for the Class of 1991 since I volunteered for the job at the reunion.

Susan Wise, our former class agent, is now serving us as the vice president of classes for the Alumni Association. In October, she was promoted to a program developer at Hair Cuttery corporate offices in Falls Church, Va. She writes management training programs for the company and loves her new challenges.

Kenny Higgins lives in Centreville and is working at Freddie Mac as a financial analyst. He and **Rob Donovan** were a couple of the lucky few who got to see KISS in concert this year. Kenny and **Cito Vanegas** still hang out together. Cito is working as an accountant for the Virginia Railway Express and lives in Alexandria. **Nancy Himmelheber** is working for United Airlines and lives in Vienna. She also just bought a hot new convertible Mustang and loves showing it off.

Steve Gurley and **Jenn Norris** '93 were married last year and live in Fredericksburg. Steve works for the U.S. Geological Survey, and Jenn works for a public relations firm. **Mike Antonio** lives with **Steve Wasem** in Annandale and works as a desktop publisher for the advisory board in the Watergate building. Steve is working as a chemist for the government and also can be seen bartending at PJ Skidoos on occasion. **Dave Sanders** is engaged and rooms with **Jeff Miers** '90, who is also engaged. They share a residence with **Mark Mesterhazy** and **Todd Stayin.**

Lisa Williamson Dargay has been married for two years and is working as a paralegal for a law firm in Washington, D.C. She and her husband, Jeff, live in Centreville. **Julie King Walsh** and **John Walsh** have been married for five years and are living in Fredericksburg, where John is working for GEICO. He and Julie own their own custom frame shop called Classic Custom Framing. **Danielle Masters** lives in Arlington with **Erin Stevens** '93, **Kelly Walker**' 94, and **Candice Mallone** '94. She is working as a research associate for the American Association of Medical Colleges.

Lisa Meadows Foulds lives in Richmond and works as a full-time nanny. **Michelle Lesko Heath** married **Clay Heath** '92. They live near Lorton, where she is working on a master's degree in international finance at George Mason U. **Jeff Rountree** still has the best job as the state golf director for the American Cancer Society. Currently, he is splitting his time living in both Richmond and Virginia Beach.

Mike Lysaght married **Christine Redmon** '95 in August in New Jersey. They currently live in Richmond, where Mike is working as the food services director at St. Christopher's School. **Diana Kelley-Abrials** has been married for four years and lives in Warrenton. She currently works in Washington, D.C., as a writer-editor for a federal law enforcement bureau, where she has met several VIPs including President Clinton.

Erika Ringberg Murr is a lecturer of Amer-

ican History at Southwest Texas State U. in San Marcos, Texas. She has also begun work on a book dealing with Southern women on the East Texas frontier. **DeAnna Toten Beard** graduated from the U. of New York at Stony Brook with a master's of fine arts in dramaturgy. She and her husband and daughter now live in Indiana, where she is working toward a Ph.D. in theater history and criticism at Indiana U.

Debby Sullivan married **John Kelly** in July 1995. They are both living and working as assistant language teachers in the public school system in Shingu City, Japan. They enjoy learning Japanese sign language and are grateful for the precious and adventurous opportunities that are open to them.

Ellen McCrary-Mayer and **Geoff Mayer** live in Washington, D.C., and just had their first child, a baby girl. **Nancy Askew** received her M.A. in art administration from the U. of New Orleans and is working in development at the Arena Stage in Washington, D.C.

Ben Kramer got his M.S. in counseling psychology from Radford U. and is working at New River Community College as their activities counselor. He is married to a fellow Radford grad, and they have a 2-year-old son. In addition, Ben joined the Virginia National Guard and is a sergeant in an infantry unit. He and his family are currently living in Pulaski, Va.

April Dillow recently joined the Quincy U. dean of students staff. She is working as a hall coordinator and a counselor in the counseling center. **Michelle Fallin** married Mike Gibson in December 1996. **Sharon Millirons** '92 was one of her bridesmaids. After a honeymoon trip to Disney World, the couple will live in Fredericksburg.

Austin Merrill joined the Peace Corps after serving in MWC's Admissions Office and has spent the last two years in a small village in Cote d'Ivoire working as a water/sanitation volunteer. Fredericksburg's *Free Lance-Star* published monthly reports written by Austin until he returned in April.

Mindy Culver has seen a lot of changes in the past five years. After spending four years working at a photo lab and then one year working as a temporary receptionist in Arlington, she took the plunge and moved to Manhattan's Upper East Side in order to be closer to her aunt, **Chris Ann Phillips Farhood** '69. Tragically, Chris's husband, Bill, whom she met at U. Va. in 1965, was killed in a bicycle accident on Long Island in August 1995. Mindy and son Nicholas, 8, are now the proud renters of a "funky studio apartment." She works as a receptionist in an accounting firm while pursing more artistic avenues. She says New York City is "chaotic and wonderful." In addition, she is a member of a camera club and is happily shooting and printing abstract pictures.

Mindy's best friend, **Marilyn Eichelberger** '91, was recently elected supervisor in King George County, Va. She is so fiercely dedicated that she gives new meaning to the words "public servant."

Lynne Yankosky Boehmer was promoted to a contract accountant with BDM Corporation in McLean. She and **Matt Boehmer** are still very happy living in Herndon, working on their new townhouse. Matt has plans to build a deck in the spring.

Stephanie Myers Michalowicz and husband **Mike Michalowicz** '90 bought a house in Richmond last November and are the proud owners of a two-story colonial. They love life in the suburbs, and Mike is excited about buying a lawnmower soon. Steph is a very serious grad student; she has returned to school for her master's in counseling at VCU.

Todd and I are once again living in Fredericksburg. I am working as a cataloger for the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C. Todd is a production technology teacher at Culpeper County High School. He also helped coach the Culpeper Blue Devils football team on to a co-district championship.

I hope to hear from everyone soon!

1993

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Everyone who took the time to write this past year had the same question: "Has it really been four years since graduation?" Since that time, more than a few of us have gotten married, changed jobs one or two times, and a very marginal few of us have had the time to have kids.

Robert Whitt is finishing his CPA examinations in Richmond, where he lives with wife **Dodie Denison Whitt** '95. Dodie spends her time teaching at an elementary school in Henrico County. Robert finds time to keep in touch with **Neal White**, who is married and works for the government in Washington, D.C., and **Russ Collins**, who is in law school at the U. of Houston.

Christie Gardner, when not working at her job as office manager of Abby Construction, has spent much of her time working with the MWC Alumni Association. She helps with the phonathon, bakes cakes, and serves as the vice president for the Fredericksburg alumni chapter. In her spare time she participates as a dancer/actress as Queen Elizabeth I in the Fredericksburg Renaissance Faire.

Inger Lisa Brown moved from Northern Virginia to Washington state this past year. She lives in Everett and works in Seattle for Muzak Limited Partnerships' national accounts department. She wants everyone to know that they do more than elevator music these days. She absolutely loves Seattle's summer months and braces herself for the "gray days" of winter.

Bethany Zecher lives in Amherst, Mass., and is finishing her master's program at U. Mass. in 20th century U.S. and Constitutional history. She updated us on a couple of her old MWC pals, with whom she got together last spring. **Nikki Dunnivan Christmas** lives in Charleston, W.Va., with her husband, Brian, and their golden retriever, Cody. **Stacey McInerney Law** and husband Chris live in Stafford with their dogs, Annie and Phoebe. Stacey is in her third year teaching at Brock Road Elementary School in Spotsylvania. **Katherine Moore Counsell** '92 teaches at Hugh Mercer Elementary and enjoys her life in Fredericksburg with her husband. **Debbie Newell Scott** lives in Blacksburg, Va., where her husband attends Va. Tech. Debbie is the proud mother of Alex, born in June 1995. **Linda Black** '95 works in photography and modeling in Long Island, while **Melissa Gillian Williams** '94 lives in Hot Springs, Va., with her husband, Brent. Bethany says she stays in touch through e-mail with her old roommate, **Amy Linsenmayer**, who lives in Alexandria. **John Cheatham** and wife **Jennnifer Caruth Cheatham** '95 live in a townhouse in the Church Hill area of Richmond.

Since February 1995, **Tracy Young** has been working as a cost accountant at Lockheed Martin in Dayton, Ohio. She is studying to get into law school or grad school and stays in touch with many of her friends from MWC. She wrote us that **Marci Harrison Zehrer** and **Fred Zehrer** had their first child. Fred is an insurance agent for W.L. Harrison Insurance Agency, and Marci is teaching transitional first grade.

Eric Axelson and **Jon Pack** '95 have started a booking agency in the D.C. area. They share a great house with **George Chase** and **Allison Leeds** '95, who is doing graphic and web page design work. **John Cheatham** and wife **Jennifer Caruth Cheatham** '95 live in a townhouse in the Church Hill area of Richmond.

Karen Smith Clerici lives in Colorado with her husband, John, and dog Maggie. She is currently teaching math and science. **Cindy Rush Reasoner** was married in November 1996 to Zane. She is teaching seventh-grade social studies and working on her master's in education at U.Va. **Rebecca Dotson** received her paralegal certificate in March 1995 from the Legal Learning Institute. She is doing litigation support for a major law firm in D.C. **John Swanlund** and **Kristin Flowe Swanlund** '90, who live in Fredericksburg, have a son born last November.

Suzy Dehart left Northern Virginia in December 1996 for Seattle, Wash., where she is attending a culinary school. Anyone who knows Suzy knows that it won't be long before she operates her own five star restaurant! Good luck, Suzy! **Amy Wisnosky Belote**, my old MWC roomie, is enjoying married life. She and husband Brett have been busy getting settled in their new house in the Baltimore area. **Jon Press** and wife **Tama Welch Press** '94 live in Richmond. Jon is attending the Presbyterian School of Christian Education, along with **Syd Russell** '95 and **Karey Ford** '96.

1997 is turning out to be a big year for me. In March, I am getting married in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., to Gary Marquart. For our honeymoon, we are taking a Caribbean cruise. We plan to move out of the Northern Virginia area and begin building a house by the end of the year.

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From Jane:

It's hard to fathom that it's been two years since we all tossed our caps in Ball Circle on that amazing sun-filled graduation day. Time has definitely sped by, and the Class of '95 has been involved in many diverse and exciting endeavors.

I am currently assisting the director of advertising and promotion for Broadway Books, the new division of the Bantam Doubleday Dell publishing group in Times Square, N.Y.C. I've also been taking classes at the School of Visual Arts in Manhattan. **Tiffany Cothran**, who is also in N.Y.C. working for a Wall Street firm by day, just wrapped up a production of "Macbeth" in a New York theater, where she played Lady Macbeth. She is currently applying to grad schools for acting. She lives in a spacious Brooklyn Heights apartment with **Nina Morrison** '96 and **Emily Baird** '96. Also involved in theater is **Jamie Askew**, who is part of a traveling childrens' theater group in the Atlanta area. She most recently played Fern in a theatrical rendition of "Charlotte's Web."

John Miller has appeared in some theatrical

productions in Fredericksburg. **Robin Brumm** is in Maryland teaching high school English and theater and running the school's theater productions. **Lydia Hellrich** works for the Museum of TV and Film in New York City and lives with **Deirdre O'Leary** in Queens. Dierdre is a teaching assistant at Hunter College in New York, where she is pursuing a master's in theater. Others in Manhattan include **Alicia Burton**, who aims for a master's at Columbia U.; **Flavia Jiminez**, who lives in the Village and attends New York U. Law School; **Susan Currence**, who continues to dance, lives on the Upper East Side with **Ally Knuth** '96, and works for a financial firm in Times Square.

Down in the D.C. area **Greg Urquhart** lives in Arlington with **Dave Kovacs** '94 and **Dave Evans** '94. He works in Bethesda for a company that does fund raising for colleges and universities. He is currently applying to grad schools. **Wendy James** works in the area for a communications company. She lives with **Mary Johnson**, who works for the Alexandria division of social services, and **Claire Potter**, who teaches in a pre-school. **Alison Latvala** works for an international corporation in McLean. **Kristen O'Malley** works as a webmaster for a large organization in D.C. and lives with **Christine Preziosi**, who works at MSI, an international consulting firm, also in D.C. They enjoy living in Old Towne Alexandria and being so close to the city. **Thomas Park** is working for Noblestar Systems in Falls Church as a database consultant.

Rachel Machacek and **Jeanne Curran** also live in Falls Church. **Carrie Thompson** works in D.C. for a lobbying organization. **Hannah Warren** lives in an apartment in Alexandria and works for a defense contractor in Crystal City. **Allison Andrews** works as an assistant account executive at Dan Rosenthal Co., an advertising agency in Bethesda. **John Opiola** works in Reston for the Learning Tree. He lives with **Colin Whitehouse**, who teaches government in middle school, **EJ Szymczak** and **Wyland Leadbetter** '96. **Jon Pack** and **Eric Axelson** '93 have started a booking agency in the D.C. area. They share a great house in D.C. with **George Chase** '93 and **Allison Leeds**, who is doing graphic and web page design work. **Beth Lizut** is in her second year of a Russian studies master's program at Georgetown U. **Catherine Potts** is still doing well at Dewberry and Davis, the mapmaking company in Northern Virginia. **Dara Sloan** is also in the area working as a paralegal. **Linda Lam** lives in Alexandria and works at a bank, where she was recently promoted to assistant manager.

Kristen Green loves her job as reporter for the *Winchester Star,* chasing ambulances for her cops and court beat. **Kristen Barnes**, who is now in Fairfax doing administrative work, spent summer 1996 working in Camp Friendship near Charlottesville. She plans a trip to Scotland in March. **Debbie Rosenkranz**, who also worked with Barney last summer, currently shares a roomy apartment in the fan area of Richmond with **Anne Kerr** and **Ronda George**. Debbie works at Capital One, while Anne works as a physical therapy tech at Sheltering Arms Hospital during the week and at Awful Arthur's on the weekends. Ronda, who is pursuing a master's in social work at VCU, thoroughly enjoys the field work she does with teen-agers at St. Joseph's Villa.

John Cagle is also at VCU in the social work program. Others in Richmond include junior high school teacher **Gina Clower**; **Sandy Pezzillo**, who studies physical therapy at MCV; **Heather Riley**, who is also at MCV studying dental hygene; **Tracy Zacharias**, who lives with Heather and works at Capital One; **Nicki Sherman**, who is at nursing school with the hopes of becoming a pediatric practitioner; **Nicole Cote**, who works for a home health agency; **Todd Peters**, who works for a financial firm; **Rebecca Whitley**, back after a year of teaching English in Prague; and **Tom Mitchell**.

Donnie Gallitz lives in Fredericksburg, works for a government contractor in Crystal City, and is still dating **Rose Burnley**, who has been substituting on a long-term basis at Woodbridge Senior High School. **Christen Tyree** is substitute teaching in the Lynchburg area. **Michael Martin** also resides in Lynchburg, where he works for Mail America. **Heather Scott** lives in Virginia Beach, where she works in sales for Maytag. **Maggie Harrison** produces television commercials in Staunton, Va. **Joe Kirby** works for J. Riggings in Charlottesville. **Ed Villa** is working and living in Long Branch, N.J. **Tara McAvoy**, who came in with the Class of '95 but graduated early, is finishing her master's in physics at the U. of Nebraska. **Angela Chang** has been in Alabama working with mentally challenged children by day and putting in some hours as a bartender at Ruby Tuesday's at night. She is currently applying to grad schools in Virginia in counseling and plans to move back to the state in June. **Kevin Nies** is in Alabama as well, working in retail and applying to Virginia law schools. **Aimee Gibson** is at Ross U. School of Medicine in the West Indies. Two semesters remain until she sits for the USMLEI and returns to the U.S. for clinicals. **Laura Nordan** is at the U. of Delaware working on her master's degree in geography. **Susan Taylor** is also at the U. of Delaware studying at the Center for Historic Architecture.

Liz Tua, who worked for a year with brain-injured adults in a neuro-rehabilitative facility in Manassas, is currently at Boston U. pursuing a master's in psychology with a focus on clinical. **Angie Bell** is working on a master's in art history at the U. of Tennessee in Memphis. **Nicole Rauch** is in graduate school for school psychology at Salisbury State U. in Maryland.

Those living in Fredericksburg include **Ryan Shriver**, who is a product manager for Digital Creations; **Leslie Fitzgerald**, who works at GEICO; and **Brian Thews**, who is married to **Blake Mosely** '96 and is working at Capital One in Richmond. **Stacie Hunter McClung** is also living in Fredericksburg, where she and husband Scott own the Montessori school and where she works as an assistant teacher.

Jennifer Caruth Cheatham and husband **John Cheatham** '93 live in a townhouse in the Church Hill area of Richmond. Jenn is a claims adjuster for Progressive Insurance. **Caroline Dearborn Wheless** will complete her studies in biomedical ethics at U. of South Carolina in June '97. She and husband Kenny enjoy living with their two puppies in the home they built in nearby Elgin, S.C. **Kory Formon** and wife Jenny live in Charlotte, N.C., and expect their first child in March. Recently married **Michelle Cataldo Nikolai** teaches second grade in Woodbridge. **Jennifer Sycks Glatt** and husband Tom have relocated to Laguna Niguel in Southern California, where Tom got a job as a financial consultant. Prior to that, while living in Alexandria, Va., Jenn was working as an editor of an education magazine. **Karen Berkheimer** married Thomas Morton in June 1995 in Las Vegas. They currently live in the house they bought in Frederick, Md. Also in Frederick are **Jeffrey Desanto** and **Niki Stevenson** '96, who were married in a beautiful outdoor ceremony in early September 1996. That same month, **Mark Duffy** married Tamara Cunningham in Sparta, N.J. Mark works at AIDS Related Community Services (ARCS) in New York, and was recently promoted to supervisor of volunteer programs. Mark writes that he and his new bride, a business and computer consultant with Andersen Consulting in New Jersey, both enjoy singing with the Masterwork Chorus based in Morristown, N.J. **Suzie Milko**, who teaches elementary school in Fredericksburg, is engaged to be married in April '97. Also engaged is **Brett Christiansen**, to girlfriend Lillith, and **Susan Andes**, who is substitute teaching and planning a June '97 wedding.

Jennifer Orr has been playing the harp by night on the *Royal Viking Sun*, a cruise ship that has taken her all over Europe. She is thrilled with the job and with having her days free to venture out to kiss the Blarney Stone, visit the Waterford Crystal Factory and tour Edinburgh Castle.

Steve Boyd, who is living and working in San Diego, Calif., is engaged to be married. **Carisa Blasius** also moved to San Diego early in '97. **Amy Bonnes** enjoys living in West Chester, Pa., where she is the director of member services for the Republican Committee of Chester County. **Beata Zduniak** works in a law firm in Connecticut. **John Millett** works for Merrill Lynch in New Jersey. **Debbie Petz** is in West Orange, N.J., where she coordinates private nursing at St. Barnabas Hospital. **Jenny Benzie**, who had been living in Bar Harbor, Maine, with **Dorrie LaBianca**, decided to jet off to the British Virgin Islands and works in Tortola. **Meg Carey** works in a personnel firm in Florida.

In North Carolina, **Amanda Harris** is in Raleigh doing marketing, editing and coordinating for a publishing company. **Trish Whitefield** is living in Marshill and enjoys working at various part-time jobs in a coffeehouse, a lettuce farm, baby-sitting and sewing for a head shop in Asheville. **Scott McKnight** is also in North Carolina working in a law firm. In March '97 he plans to hike the Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine, hoping to run into **Seyl Park**, who started hiking in the opposite direction in September. I guess we'll find out in the next issue. All the best to you 'till then!

From Todd:

What a difference a year can make! With set careers and the busywork that comes from that, news from the Class of '95 has been scarce. However, there are some happenings that made it to my attention.

Shandie Hall wrote a note letting me know that she and Matt Covington were engaged in December 1995 and will be wed June 28, 1997. Matt is completing his master's at the U. of Denver and is working as a teaching assistant for undergrad biology classes, while Shandie works for Sterling Inc. **Paula Jones** and **Jennifer Moore** will be her bridesmaids.

After spending a year in Latvia on a missions trip, **Maria Webb** has returned home. The last account heard is that she will be marrying **Ken Stout** '97 in June.

Thanks to a chance encounter at Fashion Square Mall in Charlottesville, we have the following news from **Joseph Kirby** '96: **Joe Cassady** is on the ski patrol at a resort in New Hampshire. **Sheila Shadmand** is in Charlottesville as well, where she attends U.Va. law school; **Kim Switzer** is working for State Farm Insurance in Charlottesville; **Stephen Landis** '96 is the manager of Ruby Tuesday's, also in Charlottesville; **William Brantley** has been promoted to manager of the J. Riggins men's clothing retail store in Chesapeake; and finally, Joe informed me that, not only is he the manager of J. Riggins in Charlottesville after successfully managing the stores in Fredericksburg and Chesapeake, but he, too, is engaged! He and Kristin Schneider will be married in September.

Linda Black works in photography and

modeling in Long Island; **Jennifer Caruth Cheatham** and husband **John Cheatham** '93 live in a townhouse in the Church Hill area of Richmond; **Syd Russell** lives in Richmond and is a seminary student, as is **Karey Ford** '96 and **Jon Press** '93. Syd sent news of several MWCers: **Dorie Fryling** is teaching in Fredericksburg and is eagerly anticipating her wedding date in spring 1997; **Sara Grant** is married and lives in Charlotte, N.C.; **Terry Kidd** lives in Richmond and is still into politics; **Michael Margolis** visited Syd before he returned to the Marines for another year; **Rich Moncrief** teaches at Stafford High School and still works at Giant; **Lara Corcoran** lives in Fredericksburg and works with two service organizations; **Tracy Rizzo** is a student at Regent U. in Virginia Beach; **Kelly Skinner** is a graduate student at Radford U. and is getting married soon; **Ronald Hopkins** is a student at Union Theological in Richmond; **J.P. Seick** and **Heather Spring** are engaged; **Maria Webb** is coming home from her mission trip soon; **Reid Smith** and **Lisa Milnes Smith** live in California, and although they love it, they miss everyone here; **Matthew Morin** is pursuing a master's in education at VCU, and his fiancée, **Sandy Meadows**, is working in the Richmond area in child development. They plan to be married in August.

Yes, you heard it right, Todd has boldly stepped into the computer age and is progressing toward the dreaded "information highway." Feel free to e-mail me.

IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathies to the families and friends of the deceased.

Anita Pepmeier Bennett '22
Laura Jenkins Blaisdell '23
Edna Muse Lumpkin Moss '25
Rachael Harriette Wingfield De Angelo '28
Blanche Edwards McKenney '30
Mary James Bowles '32
Addie Campbell Doswell '32
Elizabeth Regal Owens '32
Maud Andrews Charles '33
Mary Dunlap Page '33
Thelma Andrews Pitts '33
Minnie Thomas Gillette Beaton '35
Grace Herr '35
Louise Sinclair Garrow '36
Evelyn P. Ellington '37
Ann Lipscomb Kline '37
Virginia Anderson Jackson '39
Mary Helsabeck Townsend '39
Corrina Hammack Lowry '40
Maxine Morea Sallé '40
Jane Haddox Gwin '41
Dorothy Virginia Schelhorn Holzrichter '42
Jeanne Rowlett Ingram '43
Dorothy Brown Peterson '43
Jean Hopkins Stetson '43
Beverly Munn Nessell '44
Maude Kathleen Wood Hagood '49
Elisabeth Brauer Jett '51
Janet Abbott Carr '54
Katherine Hoen '54
Katherine McGrath Williams '55
Sandra Diamond Buch '57
Evelyn Ruth Weston Nordstrand '57
Carol H. Luck Cassell '59
Joyce Smith Gilding '64
Betsy Smith Edmunds '72
Allison L. Sweatt '85

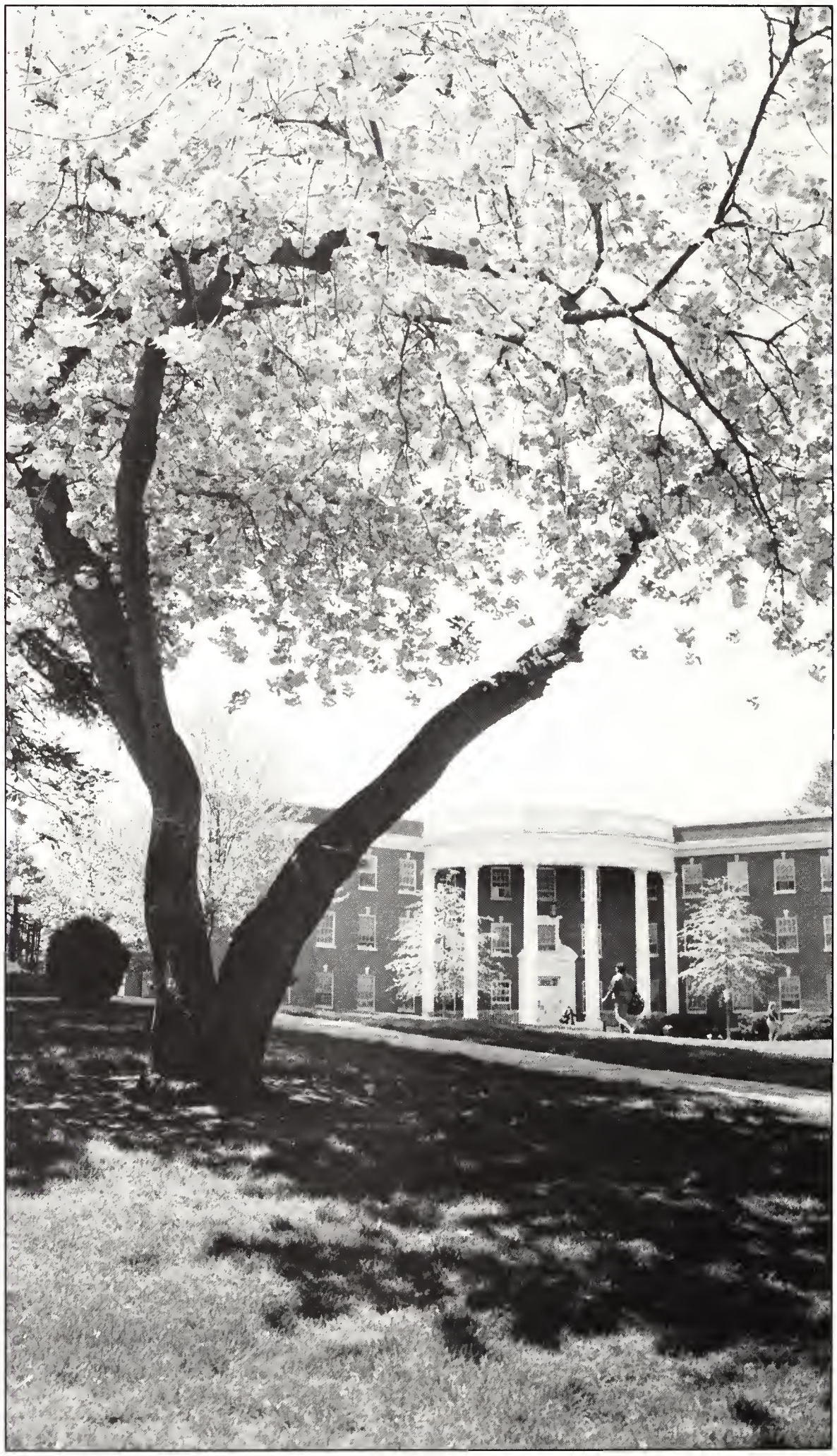
Pauline G. King '37, Professor Emerita of Art

Janet Barnes, Westmoreland Hall housemother 1975-81

CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to those who have lost loved ones.

Lorene Potter Ashley '37, who lost her husband
Nancy Herr Fallen '39, who lost her sister
Rubie Lee Ashley Johnson '40, who lost her brother
Barbara Greve Carver '43, who lost her husband
Peggy Draper Eckenrode '43, who lost her husband
Christine Brauer Krausse '45, who lost her sister
Elsie Brauer Lee '46, who lost her sister
Anna Brauer Oxenham '47, who lost her sister
Sarah Kathryn Hayter Helton '49, who lost her mother
Ann Patty McClintock '49, who lost her husband
Edna Gooch Trudeau '59, who lost her father
Lynn McCarthy '61, who lost her mother
Jean Johnson Cashion '67, who lost her mother
Connie Cline Bukzin '69, who lost her son
Carin Carr Fernandez '80, who lost her mother



Spinning Wheel Boutique

The Spinning Wheel Boutique can help you find that special gift. The Boutique offers a variety of merchandise, featuring the pewter Jefferson Cup, Boston Rocker and Captain's chair. Gifts are available for purchase at the alumni house or they can be shipped (with additional shipping charge). Add 4.5% sales tax to the price of all items purchased in the Boutique or shipped to a Virginia address. Make checks payable to Mary Washington College Alumni Association, and mail requests to P.O. Box 1315, College Station, Fredericksburg, VA 22402. You can also call the Alumni Office at (540) 654-1011 with your order or fax it to (540) 654-1075 and charge it with your VISA or MasterCard.

Boston Rocker $200.00
#113-2104–Satin Black finish with gold trim
#113–9351–Cherry finish
(shipped from manufacturer; allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery)

Wine Carafe Set $38.00
1 liter carafe and 4 glasses etched with MWC seal
(Shipping $5.00)

Pewter Jefferson Cup $20.00
Etched with MWC seal
(Shipping $3.00)

Mary Washington Brass Trivet
(in the shape of the MW)
Large–(7-inch) $19.00
(Shipping $3.00)

MWC Blanket $40.00
All wool, 62" x 84"
Navy blue/white MWC seal/gray trim
(Shipping $6.00)

Beach Towel $28.50
Navy blue with white embroidered lettering, 36" x 72"
(Shipping $3.00)

Captain's Chair $200.00
#342-2108–Satin Black lacquer finish with cherry arms
(shipped from manufacturer; allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery)

Cotton Canvas Tote Bags
Natural cotton with navy blue trim and embroidered lettering
Small (12" x 14")–$15.00
Large (14" x 24")–$20.00
(Shipping $3.00)

Nylon Bags
New items (not pictured):
Large Carry-All, 24" x 12" x 12", $28.50 (shipping $5.00)
Small Carry-All, 19" x 10" x 10", $23.50 (shipping $4.00)
Briefcase, 16-1/4" x 13-1/4" x 3", $28.50 (shipping $4.00)
Garment Bag 39" $24.00 (shipping $4.00)
Garment Bag 54" $30.50 (shipping $4.00)

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